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Oakland Mills Neighborhood Enhancement Advisory Committee

Report for September 2016

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COMMITTEE MEETING

- No meeting was scheduled for August. The next meeting will be on 27 September 2016.

SUBCOMMITTEE STATUS REPORT

- August 23, 2016: The NEAC Architectural Guidelines subcommittee (Judy Gottsagen, Claudia Hollywood, Jervis Dorton, Alisa Batiz and Pat Hersey) are meeting to review the OM Architectural Guidelines and will be comparing them to those of the other nine Villages.
- August 31, 2016: The subcommittee co-chairs (Judy and Claudia) met with board members (Kay Wisniewski, Ginny Thomas and Lynn Engelke) and OMCA staff (Sandy Cederbaum, Carrie Wenholz and Bob Bellamy) to coordinate the roles and responsibilities of the three groups involved the review/revision process (the NEAC subcommittee, RAC and OMCA staff). A draft timeline for completion was reviewed and amended, to be finalized after consultation with CA attorneys.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

- Developing a resource featuring suggested "best practices" (including styles of fences, shutters, etc.) was discussed at the August 31st meeting as a possible addition to the revised architectural guidelines, either within the body of the document or as a link.
- Question of how NEAC might best support the Board and County re legislation to address the oversight of rental licenses and problems involving "deadbeat landlords" remains under discussion.
- The list of home maintenance and home improvement services recommended by residents compiled by NEAC and the Housing Committee for posting to the OM website is in process. It's been further suggested that an expanded resource could be developed by and shared among all Village Managers.
- To prepare for revisiting and reintroducing the NEAC recommendations for a Property Evaluation Survey tabled by the Board, NEAC will consult with Harper's Choice and other villages about their recent experience with conducting the survey and its outcomes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 2016: NEAC meeting TBA
- January 7, 2017: *RENEW. REHAB. REPLACE. Universal Design Strategies for Aging in Place*
- April 8, 2017: *RENEW. REHAB. REPLACE. Sustainable Landscaping: Rethinking Columbia's Lawns and Gardens*