

# Annual PKID Meeting: Morning Ridge

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Wednesday January 20, 2010

5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Public Works Assembly Room

**Gilbert Staff:** Rick Acuna, Jason Kerby, Laura Lorenzen

**Attendees:** Audra Price, Mark Manfre, Dana Zazick, Al Gonzales, Randy and Cheryl Wedmore

## **Agenda item: Update on FY10 Improvements**

The FY10 improvements are substantially complete. The shrubs have a 90 day warranty period. Trees and the irrigation system have a one year warranty period.

One resident was concerned that the plantings on the east and west side of the entrance were different. The Landscape Architect explained that the plantings are exactly the same on both sides. The difference is the timing of the installation of the plantings. The east side was planted approximately one year prior to the west side. As a result the plantings on the east side have had an additional growth period to establish themselves.

Another resident asked if more color could be incorporated in the plantings at the entrance. It appears that all of the flowering plants have yellow flowers. Staff will look into and if any plants need to be replaced, additional colors will be used.

Staff also explained that there was an issue with the irrigation system in the median. At one point, a valve and solenoid failed and on another occasion the water was cutoff due to construction. The aesthetics of this area should improve since these problems have been addressed.

Staff explained that each spring they will access what needs to be trimmed or replaced. It is common to lose up to 10% of the plantings after the initial installation.

The light in the east side monument is out. Staff explained the bulb was replaced last week. When you notice issues like this, please call Rick Acuna at (480) 503-6864. Staff is not always present to see various problems throughout the day.

## **Agenda item: Improvements for FY11?**

Residents are concerned about the vandalism and property damage in the basin area and the lots that back up to the basin. How can this area be made less accessible for people to jump the back wall? Who owns the back wall? Gilbert or the Railroad. Staff will check into this question. One resident suggested that installing Bougainvillea along the back wall of the park area should deter the people from jumping the fence into area. If this does not work, the height of the fence will need to be addressed at a later date.

A vote was taken to determine if the residents in attendance of the meeting wanted improvements in FY11. By a show of hands, residents voted 5-1 for basin improvements.

Residents then discussed the various basin improvements available; tot lot improvements, landscape improvements, and addressing the back wall issues.

With a 5-0 vote, the residents agreed to the following improvements for FY11:

1. Tot lot improvements
2. Bougainvillea along the back wall
3. East side of Elliot Road frontage
4. Park landscape improvements

Residents agreed to leave the current assessment on place of approximately \$62.37, and complete as many of the above listed improvements as possible in the given order.

Residents directed Staff to e-mail the results of the bids to the residents and outline how we will proceed with the improvements.

## **Action items:**

- Who owns the wall that backs up to the railroad tracks?

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.**