

VILLAGE GREEN

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HIGHLIGHTS

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NEWS FROM VG's BOARD & MANAGEMENT

— Compiled by Lucy Fried and Patrick Comiskey

The Village Green Board of Directors sponsored two (virtual) Town Hall meetings last month for residents to hear and discuss a set of master planting guidelines which will map out the high, medium, and low water use areas of the Green.

In April, the Board will vote on the recommendations. With planting guidelines, Village Green can finally move forward with the long-needed replacement of our 80-year-old irrigation system.

More than 60 residents attended the town hall meetings, and the mood at both events was positive. RIOS, an award-winning landscape architecture firm, had developed the planting guidelines and presented them to the Board late last year.

You can hear a recording of the discussion and read more about the guidelines in the November 2022 and February 2023 HIGHLIGHTS online issues. Just go to villagegreenla.net

2023 MAJOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE RESOLUTIONS

In March, directors unanimously approved six Management resolutions for residential and garage buildings this year:

*Paint ten residential buildings: 2, 17, 21, 23, 51, 53, 55, 65, 92, and 96 (Alex Painting @ \$196,790.00); *Insulate them (Everguard Home Insulation@ \$152,161); and *Make necessary woodwork repairs (Becker Enterprises Inc. @ \$25,889.28);

*Paint the garage exteriors in courts 3,7, and 11 (Alex Painting @\$57,832.00);

*Make necessary woodwork repairs (Becker Enterprises @\$36,856.36); *Mitigate pest infestations (Fenn Termite and Pest Control @ \$18,380.00).

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Editor's Note

Sometimes I wonder if anyone actually reads the newsletters that our team puts so much love and time into. I guess some do, because out of the blue in late March, a resident told Avelene Schodorf that he couldn't find the results of this year's Board election in any **HIGHLIGHTS** issue. He was right! We had skipped right past it! Our apologies, and here are the election results ...

Five candidates ran for the five open seats; all were incumbents running for another term, and all were elected. They are Ashley Fondrevay (236); Steve Haggerty (245); Claire Knowlton (240); Avelene Schodorf (235); and Chris Scornaienchi (235).



ANNUAL EGG HUNT *Jamie listens carefully to directions for disposal of empty (plastic) eggshells at the VG egg hunt in March. Cultural Affairs Committee liaison Avelene Schodorf, who captured the moment, estimated that at least 35 families turned out for the hunt this year.*

ABOUT HIGHLIGHTS

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ELECTRICAL UPGRADE PROJECT INCHES FORWARD

Management reported that work is proceeding on the pilot project in Building 91, including a request to the LADWP for permission to add underground equipment in the Court 17 driveway to prepare the building for the 34.5K line when it is brought to the property on some future date. Another request went to the Department of Building and Safety (DBS) for approval of electrical repair work. These approvals may take weeks.

VG Maintenance conducted a visual inspection and evaluation of the electrical panels, receptacles, and light fixtures in all of the building's units. This documentation will be helpful during the pilot project repair work. Also, with the help of Hariton Engineering, ARG, and Triple C, the team has found several possible "best case" solutions for modernizing the electrical infrastructure for various unit types.

MORE MANAGEMENT NEWS

GARAGE INSPECTIONS Final re-inspections occurred in late March to address violations owing to lack of access and flammable materials. Greenies who did not comply will receive Notices of Hearing.

REBUILDING SERPENTINE WALLS In February, the Board approved repair of four serpentine walls and in March okayed replacement of another one. They also asked Management to research whether the labor-intensive process to custom-cut the bricks is necessary. Unfortunately, Management confirmed that this process is unavoidable, as it's done to maintain the characteristic curve and height of the walls, something that cannot be accomplished with a larger brick size.

LAUNDRY MACHINES The company scheduled six washers to be replaced in courts 4,5,6,7, 13, and 16 and four dryers in courts 6, 9, 11, and 15 on April 7. A deep cleaning of all the exterior and interior laundry machines is tentatively set for April 10. □

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

What will you sell? What will you buy?

Enjoy **VG's ANNUAL YARD SALE**

on the perimeters

**MEET NEIGHBORS, ENJOY THE OUTDOORS,
MAKE SOME \$\$**

More information coming soon...



PUBLIC SECURITY REPORT February 23, 2023 - March 22, 2023

Edited by Jordan Deglise Moore

CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFT March 4, Court 17, 2 pm.

A resident reported the theft after starting the car, which she had last driven on March 1.

VANDALISM/BREAK-IN March 6, Court 2, 5-8 pm. A

resident reported that the lock was cut off her garage and items were stolen.

VERBAL THREATS/DOMESTIC DISPUTE March 14, Court

4, 2:23 am. A resident reported that her son and his friend had threatened to harm her. Officers advised her to seek a restraining order if the behavior continued.

VERBAL HARASSMENT March 15, Court 13, 7:18 pm. Officers responded to a call about a loud argument in the parking area

between a resident who had grabbed a hand truck "to defend himself" and an unknown man who had followed him home, accusing him of leaving the scene of a car accident. Officers did not see damage on either vehicle, and the unknown man soon left the property without further incident.

STOLEN LICENSE PLATES March 18, Court 12, 5:35 pm.

Two residents reported their car plates had been seen in the courtyard the previous day.

NOISE DISTURBANCE March 18, Garden Court 8-9, 3:38 pm.

Officers responded to a complaint about a party with about 30 attendees but deemed the noise level acceptable. □