

**CATALINA VISTA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD MEETING AGENDA EXPLANATION**  
**APRIL 27, 2015**  
**(From Alison Hughes)**  
**Update**

***The below explanations correspond with the numbers on the agenda.***

**4. ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Palm Tree Watering. As most of you know the palm trees in our islands ceased to be watered many years ago. At last month's board meeting we discussed the long-term impact of no water to the trees, and also agreed it would be important to check into options for providing water especially during our hot, dry summer months. Over the past month Councilor Steve Kozachik has been in contact with City staff to make the case for watering the trees which represent a financial investment on the part of the City of Tucson. Steve has been successful in working out an arrangement for summer watering. Either he or one of his staff members will discuss the issue during our meeting.
- b. Alley/Easement safety and fencing: This item is also in follow up to a discussion at last month's board meeting at which time we re-visited the concept of constructing chain link gates at the entryways of our easements that are badly used. Attached to the email containing the April board agenda is a chain link estimate obtained last year by board member John Fendrock. The estimate is high as you will see. I spoke with Gersen's Building Materials regarding the availability of recycled chain link gates and was told that they acquire them frequently. The in-stock variety is the wrong size for us, but they advised to keep calling to check availability. Meantime, Councilor Kozachik checked with approval procedures. If we move ahead with this, approval will need to be obtained from TEP, Southwest Gas, and Tucson Water. Steve thinks this is possible. He has made available to us the attached official map of our easements. **Is a board member willing to volunteer to take this project on and report back to the board from time to time?**
- c. City of Tucson Environmental Services: Cristina Polsgrove has contacted us requesting that the program director be allowed to briefly address the board regarding projects underway. **I recommend that the board agree to invite this representative to speak at our May meeting.**
- d. Listserv policy report by Sara Wisdom. Sara will recommend a policy that is shaped to protect the use of our neighborhood Listserv from commercial or personal use.
- e. Catalina Vista Home Tour: Anne Barrett planned to attend the Sam Hughes Neighborhood Home Tour and report her findings at this board meeting. Board is asked to explore the possibility of sponsoring a similar event in our neighborhood.

- f. Bermuda Grass Containment: A number of areas have been overrun by Bermuda grass. Jan Hastreiter will recommend that the board invest some of our funds in containing the worse areas.
  - g. Proposed Campus Tour: Last year the board sponsored a tour of the University of Arizona Mirror Lab which was popularly attended. Alison is recommending that we explore the possibility of offering a UA campus tour for interested neighbors due to our neighborhood's proximity to campus. Many changes have occurred among the campuses over the years, and it would be interesting for us to learn more about our neighbor. **Board is asked to agree to sponsor such a tour assuming its availability.** (Update: since I wrote this memo we advertised the campus tour at the Social. Unfortunately, the sign up list was hidden below other lists at the information table and only two people signed up. We need 30 people to make this happen and I doubt we will get enough people. We'll probably need to cancel the idea. We can discuss.
  - h. Catalina Vista T-shirts: Getting the T-shirts printed was a spontaneous act on my part. They proved to be a popular attraction during our social, with about 20 orders received. I would like to get 50 orders so we can guarantee the cheaper cost. If we order over 50 the costs for mens and womens are \$12 and \$10 each respectively. I added \$2 on to the cost of each in an effort to retrieve some of the \$50 I paid to have the prototypes made due to the four-color ink process it takes on the silk screening. Any profits after that go to the Neighborhood Association. Photographs are attached so you can share with friends and encourage orders. This will be a one-time opportunity. (NB: I need to work with the company to get a different make on the women's T-shirt which runs way too small for the average body!)
5. Committee Reports: Items a, b, c, d, e, as cited n agenda
6. Information items
- a. Catalina Vista T-shirts. A spontaneous opportunity arose for me to arrange for our beautiful logo to be applied to T-shirts. I arranged for a prototype to be made for launching at the neighborhood picnic as well as order-taking. I made an executive decision to charge a little more than the cost in order that we can add to our treasury. Orders are still being taken by yours truly.
  - b. Pet Fountain: This may be installed by the board meeting time. It was ordered at the end of March with a 3-week delivery time period.