

**CATALINA VISTA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD MEETING AGENDA EXPLANATION**  
**MAY 18, 2015**  
*(From Alison Hughes)*

Board Members,

Regretfully, I will miss our May board meeting as I will still be in the air en route home from an out-of-state trip. Dan Schnoll will be your very fine meeting chair. The numbers of the agenda items explained below correspond with those on the May 18 agenda. I trust the explanations will help to shorten your meeting time.

4. Action items

4-a. **Kramer Ranch.** Mr. Ken Scoville, local historian and preservationist, will attend the board meeting to present a most interesting idea. As you know, the old Kramer Ranch property on Elm Street will shortly be demolished to make way for construction of new homes. Mr. Scoville would like the board to support a Kramer Ranch commemoration concept that would involve getting some of the historic Kramer Ranch green, porcelain roof tiles and using them to construct a ramada, possibly in the large circle at Waverly/Sierra Vista. The ramada could have a seating area, as well as some photographs of the original ranch house and some narrative about the history of the area, including the old polo field area on which the circle may be sitting. I have asked Mr. Scoville to present the idea to you as well as potential costs involved and funding sources to cover projected costs. Because the board will not meet again until September, and the demolition could well occur over the summer, **I recommend that the board vote to support this concept at the May meeting, conditional upon costs and funding sources.** Mr. Scoville may ask the board to kick in around \$500 to support the project with these funds being used as leverage for a funding request to the local Preservation Foundation, on whose board he sits.

4-b. **Department of Environmental Services.** During our April meeting the board agreed to accept Cristina Cosgrove's request that a representative of the City's Department of Environmental Services present at our May meeting. I have informed Cristina of this approval and asked her to send details about the presentation content. As of this writing, I have received nothing from her. No doubt she will send something this week. If I get it before I leave town on Thursday, I shall forward to you.

4-c. **Alley Easement Safety/Fencing.** At the last meeting someone suggested that cameras be installed on utility poles to monitor use of the alleys. Steve K offered to follow up with this and has given a resounding no from TEP! Also, John Fendrock agreed to find another bid on the cost of chain link fencing, and Nancy Zeldin was going to check with TUSD to see if there is any leftover chain link at any of the District's facilities. Alison agreed to ask Mark Stegeman who is on the TUSD school board and who lives in the neighborhood, to also find out about chain link. I have been in contact

with Dr. Stegeman by e-mail who said he will check and get back with me. Will let you know via e-mail when I hear back.

4-d. **Palm Trees and Bermuda Grass.** There was agreement at the April meeting that Jan Hastreiter would contact Primavera to find out costs involved of getting a crew to dig watering holes around our palm trees, and also tear out Bermuda grass growing in targeted curbs. Steve K has been successful in getting the City of Tucson to send the water truck to water the trees in the hot summer months. Jan has met with the Primavera folks and will report on costs and timelines. Meantime, Dave Sunderman has sprayed weed killer on Bermuda grass areas of Juanita and Edison to begin the process.

4-e. **Adopt-A-Tree.** At the April board meeting board member Nancy Zeldin suggested this new idea. I agreed to place on the May agenda for discussion.

4-f. **Catalina Vista Home Tour.** Anne Barrett was unable to attend the April meeting to report on her participation in the Sam Hughes neighborhood tour, and the potentiality of doing a tour of Catalina Vista. Hopefully she will be able to discuss during the May board meeting.

4-g. **Catalina Vista Garden Tour.** I am suggesting a garden tour as an alternative to a home tour if the board members do not agree on the home tour concept. There are some interesting gardens in the neighborhood that could attract gardeners and landscape buffs.

5. Committee Reports – as verbally reported

6. Information Items

6-a. **Catalina Vista T-shirts.** I have experienced a delay in ordering our T-shirts, mainly due to the popularity of the model I was wearing at the social. It has taken a few weeks to identify a similar model that is available in larger sizes. I hope those who ordered the one I was wearing won't be disappointed if I come up with a different style! I did find a good men's T, but will order in white instead of the oatmeal sample as Donna Helms' art work shows up so much better on the white background. I'll be informing you more about this by email, and be distributing the T's over the next couple of months when they arrive. Meantime, Jan Hastreiter has safely deposited the T-shirt funds received in our bank account.

6-b. **Pet Fountain.** I have been getting a few calls reporting the leak. The City knows about it and has told us it may take a few weeks to repair it as the leak is underground.

6-c. **Campus Tour.** As I reported at the April meeting, we need a minimum of 30 people who will pay \$10 each to take the tour. We are nowhere close to this number at

the moment. I will advertise it n our next newsletter and see how many more people are interested.