Forest Glade Estates Homeowners Association - Newsletter

March 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Next FGE Board Meeting

Scheduled for **Monday April 13th** at 7:00 pm at the home of Marie Dremalas, 1705 Old Tower Road. All FGE residents are welcome and encouraged to attend any Board Meeting.

<u>Meeting with FGE Lawyer to Discuss Re-</u> vised Bylaws and CC&Rs

All FGE residents are encouraged to attend a special meeting on **Saturday April 18th** at 3:00-4:00 pm at the **Duarte Garage, 926 North L Street** Livermore. This will be an opportunity to ask a legal expert details of our revised Bylaws and CC&R documents.

2020 Annual Meeting and Election of Board Members

Planned for **Saturday**, **June 6**, **2020**, 4:00-7:00 pm. Many details to follow concerning this Annual Meeting. The main business will be to announce election results of FGE Directors for FY2020-2021.

2020 Special Meeting to Count Ballots for Approval of our revised Bylaws & CC&Rs

Currently planned for a **Saturday** in **July** or **August** at a date and time to be determined. The purpose of the meeting is to publicly count ballots to confirm the most recent version of the FGE Bylaws and CC&Rs.

ARTICLES

Progress on FGE Incorporation

FGE Incorporation is moving forward, independent of the revised Bylaws and CC&R's. Pres-

ident Marie Dremalas and Secretary Peter Haugen signed the documents at a Board meeting on March 9th. The results will be officially reported on the California Secretary of State website https://businesssearch.sos.ca.gov

<u>Revising FGE Bylaws & CC&Rs</u>

Your Board of Directors has edited the initial draft of the revised Bylaws and CC&Rs. As of early November 2019 the revised documents were returned to Berding|Weil (our lawyers) for redrafting. The updated documents were returned in early March and will be made available to all homeowners shortly. On Saturday April 18th, 2020 a representative from Berding|Weil will hold an open meeting for all homeowners to ask questions and suggest further changes. These final versions will again be made available to homeowners along with a secret ballot for you to cast your vote to approve these documents. We will need a 51% (35/69 homes) affirmative vote to approve the Bylaws and a 75% (52/69 homes) affirmative vote to confirm the CC&R documents.

Election of FY2020-2021 FGE Directors

Around **May 1** we will mail all homeowners a ballot for a slate of five(5) FGE Directors for the 2020-2021 term of service. You will have a 30 day period to consider your vote which will be publicly counted at the **June 6th Annual Meeting**.

All FGE residents in good standing are eligible to be on the Board of Directors.

If you have an interest in becoming a candidate for FGE Director, please notify one of the current Directors **before April 18th**

Architectural Review of New Construction

As a reminder to all FGE residents - the exist-



ing Bylaws and CC&Rs require that an Architectural Control Committee review and approve (in writing) all new construction. This includes both front and rear yard construction and landscaping changes. This approval is in addition to any City required approvals. The following is an extract from our existing CC&R document which appears on the FGE website http://forestgladeestates.org

22. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

22.1 No building shall be erected, placed or altered on any lot until the construction plans and specifications and a plan showing the location of the structure have been approved by the Architectural Control Committee as to quality of workmanship and materials, harmony of external design with existing structures, and as to location with respect to topography and finish grade elevation. Approval shall be as provided in Paragraph 22.6 hereof.

Storm Damages Eucalyptus Trees

The windstorm on Sunday February 9th toppled four Eucalyptus trees south of FGE homes on Creek Road. Fortunately, the trees fell away from the homes and fell across the walkway towards the Arroyo Mocho Creek. The walkway was completely blocked for over a week. On Friday, following the storm, arborists worked to clear the downed trees and prune several more trees.



EUCALYPTUS TREES FALLEN AFTER STORM OF FEB 9, 2020

We're grateful to the directly affected neighbors who reported the issue to the City of Livermore requesting that 1) the fallen trees be removed to reopen the walkway and 2) the City consider the removal of the remaining standing trees in the eucalyptus grove which threaten the homes in our neighborhood.



EUCALYPTUS TREES INHERENTLY HAVE RELATIVELY SHALLOW ROOT SYSTEMS



It is fortunate that this Eucalyptus fell towards the Arroyo instead of towards the home

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