

## Inspiration Common Area Committee May 24, 2018 Meeting Minutes

- Meeting called to order at 7:05p
- Members in attendance:
  - Aaron Curtiss
  - Graham Lammers
  - Ron Lee
  - Maurice Smith
  - Greg Wolgamott
- Kayla Nelson from Newland continued the discussion with board and community members about the park planning process for the amenity east of Gartrell Road
  - Following up on her prior presentation, she met with the City of Aurora and Douglas County for additional comments on the proposed plan
    - City of Aurora liked the plan as presented with an emphasis on natural amenities and low-impact trails
    - Douglas County rejected the idea of parking and structures, putting it in direct conflict with City of Aurora requirements
    - The committee asked how it could be of help and Nelson advised that Newland would continue working with the City and the County to find common ground
    - One suggested idea was to spread additional amenities across existing developed parks and proceed with a more natural “trailhead-style” park near Gartrell
- Nelson also provided a brief development update
  - The traffic light at Gartrell and Inspiration Lane is approved and slated for installation in 2019
  - Newland is about to commence work on improvements to Inspiration Drive that will enable the connection with Gartrell
    - The work will occur in three phases:
    - The first, beginning in the fall of 2018 flattens the dip in the road at the western edge of the community near the roundabout
    - The second, scheduled for 2019, connects Gartrell to Inspiration
    - The third improves the section between Gartrell and the roundabout
    - The multi-use trail will be extended from its current terminus at Rocky Top around to the roundabout
- Kaylin Hicks of CCMC updated the committee on landscape projects for 2018
  - Weed sprays are scheduled to commence the week after Memorial Day

- Brightview will mow the native grasses along Inspiration Lane even though it is not yet District property; Newland will fund the work
- Newland has approved a part-time employee to drive the neighborhood every day and look for maintenance issues
- The District is funding a part-time handyman to make repairs – often the same day they are reported
- Thistle spray in the native grasses is scheduled for June
- The committee discussed additional options and ideas to enable residents to maintain planting areas near their homes
- The committee discussed the upcoming change of members
  - Graham Lammers, Forrest Oldham and Maurice Smith are all up for reappointment
  - Javier Ortega, who committed to a two-year term, may be asked to resign as he has not attended meetings
  - Members will be appointed (or re-appointed) at the August meeting
- The committee began discussion of an event to install the Little Free Library boxes awarded by the City of Aurora Beautification Grant and deferred action pending a conversation with Hannah Toole
- Meeting adjourned at 8:36p

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