

## VILLAGE OF CORRALES

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## **Corrales Tree Committee Agenda**

4-4-24 Village Hall

Present: Corrales Tree Committee Andrew Lisignoli Amy Bell Jason Howard Peter Woodbridge

Melanie Romero, Village of Corrales Chief Anthony Martinez, Village of Corrales Michael Chavez, Village of Corrales

- Roll Call
- Agenda approved
- January meeting minutes approved
- Arbor Day
  - o Celebration is required to be eligible for Tree City USA
  - o Timing NM Arbor Day is March 8<sup>th</sup>, National Arbor Day is April 26<sup>th</sup>. The Village can have the celebration any time of year.
  - o Celebration activity proposed is planting trees at the Animal Shelter yard.
    - Andrew will coordinate with Michael to locate utilities and identify tree locations that won't create a conflict. There are two septic tanks and line is only 18" deep.
    - Tree Committee can recommend appropriate tree species
    - Trees of Corrales will donate trees
    - Mulch used by Fire Dept. will not be suitable for the yard as it contains Russian thistle thorns
  - o Arbor Day Proclamation will be made at next Council meeting.
  - o The Village is eligible to receive up to 50 free trees from State Forestry. Alyssa will share the application.

- Update on Corrales Interior Drain (CID) project
  - o CID Committee expires at the end of May. Council has received a request to create a new committee.
  - Village is working to contract with Groundwork Studio to complete the master planning process
  - Interior Drain is MRGCD property, Joint Powers Agreement enacted to allow the Village to manage the area around the drain
  - O Plan is generally to review opportunities for closing sections of the roadways to vehicular traffic, or at least adding a trail component to the roadway section. Evacuation routes will be maintained. Hydrant line will also be located as part of the project. It is important to understand this space as Wild-Urban Interface (WUI) and public safety is top priority.
  - A high level of community involvement is anticipated, although a big part of this will be an educational campaign about what is realistic from a safety and management/maintenance standpoint.
- Update on fire hydrants along Loma Larga
  - Trees have been pruned, positive comments from community. There was very little root disturbance, but once the hydrant is pressurized in coming weeks, the trees will be watered.
- Update on Village Admin Parking Lot Design
  - o Survey is complete, concept design updated and approved by the Village
  - Next steps will move the design into construction documents. Team is meeting with the project civil engineer on Friday afternoon.
  - Trees of Corrales is willing to donate trees
- Mistletoe on cottonwoods south of Siphon Rd.
  - o Village will have consultant remove mistletoe on trees that are on Village property
  - As part of the MainStreet work assisting the Village with a master plan for their new properties, a map of Village property will be provided in order to identify trees the Village is responsible for maintaining. This could be posted on the website.
- Quarterly Report to Council
  - January Meeting Notes will be provided
- La Entrada Park Trees
  - What is the plan to reforest? Old Cottonwoods are aging out (estimate is about half will need to be removed in the next 3-5 years).
  - Parks and Recreation Commission is looking at a park expansion. Next meeting coordinate with Parks and Recreation Commission for a reforestation plan.
- Reminder to share with public: Don't plant under power lines!
  - State and PNM have educational materials. Alyssa will share State's materials and is willing to create a
    flier. They are also trialing climate ready trees and can provide inventory software (with training) at no
    cost to communities.
- Next meeting: July 11<sup>th</sup>, 4pm at Village Hall and zoom (Melanie will send link)
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