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Landscape Committee Update

Dear Sunset Cove Residents,

It is hard to believe that summer is almost behind us and fall is right around the corner.

Thank you to the vacant lot owners for keeping your **lots mowed** over the growing season. All of us appreciate your efforts to keep our community well kept.

Simply Yards completed the landscape **refresh projects with the islands** on Sundown Court and Washington Court. The two islands look like new with the addition of mulch and river rock. Many of you

may have also noticed that the dead madrona tree by the gazebo was also removed, which opens up the view nicely!

The **Washington Boulevard Medians Project** will begin in earnest in mid-October. I will provide the community with detailed information on the timeline and exact project dates in the near future. Check the website often for the updates and details.

The Landscape Committee will meet on October 8th to review the **bids** for the 2019 Annual Landscape Maintenance Contract. The Committee will make a recommendation for the Board to approve at the October 23rd HOA Meeting.

Once again, Everflow will provide **winterization of irrigation systems** at a discounted rate for our residents. If you did not receive an email from me regarding irrigation winterization and would like to have this service completed on your system, please email me by October 1st (at grafjk@gmail.com) so that I may add your name to the list.

Sincerely,
Kim Graf
Landscape Chair





2018 Board Bits

The current Board of Directors, and their positions, are as follows:

- President, Alan Hanson (term ends 12/31/18).
- Vice President and Audit Committee Chair, Mike Freeman (term ends 12/31/19).
- Secretary, Jackie Etsell (filling in until 12/31/18) (term ends 12/31/19).
- Treasurer, Tisa Kniskern (term ends 12/31/19).
- Architectural Review Committee Chair, Ken Goodwin (term ends 12/31/18).
- Landscape Committee Chair, Kim Graf (term ends 12/31/18).
- Publicity Committee Chair, vacant.

Please note that the Board represents each and every home, unit, or lot owner (87 in total), so please let us know your thoughts, suggestions, ideas, and/or concerns. To contact the board members by e-mail use board@sunsetcove.org. If we don't know, we can't help!

You are also welcome - and encouraged! - to attend the semi-monthly Board meetings, which are generally held at the Anacortes Library. The next meeting is at 7pm on Tuesday, **October 23**. Double-check the website for potential meeting changes.

Even if you're not on a specific committee, your input is still welcomed and valued! And don't forget to consider becoming a member of the Board of Directors (see plea below)!

Thank you to everyone on the Board and to those serving on committees!

Thanks!!!

Everyone is invited to attend the Tuesday, October 23rd Board Meeting, to be held at 7pm at the Anacortes Library.

It is once again time to recruit some neighbors who would be willing to serve at least a two-year term on the Board of Directors. This is *your* chance to have direct input into the way "things are done" around here, and it is only fair to spread around the commitment and responsibility. (The same few people should not have to be the ones to always step up.) New blood is always a good thing!!

Think of it as taking *your* turn at the "helm." Come to the next Board meeting to get a taste! We need YOU!

Neighborhood Notes:

- Traffic safety and speeds are always a hot topic, and as the weather begins to cool and children go back to school, please be more careful and observe the **25-mile per hour** speed limit when driving up and/or down the boulevard. Also actively watch for "hazards" of all kinds.
- On Saturday, September 29, from 9am until 2pm, the Transition Fidalgo & Friends group is sponsoring a **Fix-It Day** at the Anacortes Farmer's Market. Bring those items that need mending or fixing: reuse before you recycle! transitionfidalgo.org
- Remember that the holiday solid waste pick-up will be the **Monday** after Thanksgiving, *not* the usual Friday. Also don't forget to put your garbage in bags and tie them before putting in the cans and out at the curb.
- **Please don't feed the deer!** Leftover food scraps will attract rats and other vermin, and looks messy. Park and wildlife experts caution against feeding such animals, as it can lead to many problems.
- If you have received this newsletter via regular U.S. mail, this means we do not have an email address on file for you. Contact rick@etsell.com with your email address, either **new** or **changed**, so we may update our records.

Note also that important messages are sent periodically to email addresses *only*, so you might be missing timely information.

- Happy Fall!!

Ssshhh!

The "secret" password to the documents section of the [Sunset Cove website](http://SunsetCove.org) is ssc98221 (lower case letters).

You'll find minutes from the Board meetings, past newsletters, both sets of CC&Rs, the by-laws, neighborhood roster, and other Association info.



President's Corner:

Greetings Neighbors!

What a great area we live in!!

It has been an honor to serve on the Board of Directors for the past four years, but it is time for me to hang it up. I have to thank the other members of the Board for their assistance, and also the former Board members for their history and perspective of the past, which has been very beneficial.

During this time there have been a few changes in the neighborhood, while some other things

never seem to change. The overriding feature though, is the wonderful people who live here! It has been a pleasure to get to know so many of you!

Please consider volunteering for the Board - it's actually a lot of fun, and you would be doing something worthwhile for the community. Share your life experiences and bring your new ideas to keep improving our Association. Step up and take a turn!

Alan Hanson

"It is in the everyday things around us that the beauty of life lies."

- Laura Ingalls Wilder

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Located in Anacortes, Washington, at the western end of Fidalgo Island, Sunset Cove is uniquely situated with views of the San Juan Islands, Rosario Strait, and Burrows Bay, and enjoys the privilege of adjoining beautiful Washington Park, with miles of beaches, trails, and picnic and camping sites.

The entire Sunset Cove community consists of Washington Park Estates (homes along Washington Boulevard), Sunset Cove Estates (homes along Washington Court), and The Crest at Sunset Cove Condominiums, The Gardens at Sunset Cove Townhomes, and the quickly-filling-up Doe Run at Sunset Cove (all along Sundown Court).

The Sunset Cove Homeowners Association (SCHOA) represents *all* of these, even as the Crest, Gardens, and Doe Run each have their



own HOA's. Think of the SCHOA as the umbrella organization for the entire development, taking care of the common areas (medians and buffers) as well as common issues.

Welcome to **all** our neighbors, new, "established," and those who haven't moved here yet!

