

MEMORANDUM

TO: CSCC CHAIR SMITH AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FROM: JAMES M. HOGUE, VILLAGE PLANNER

DATE: September 29, 2020

RE: October 7th - MEETING ISSUE REVIEW

The following intends to summarize the status of existing as well as new applications before the CSCC and outline actions required of the Committee.

A. <u>Welcome Maggie McCasey</u>

At the September 8th Village Board Meeting Village President Bill Jacob, with the concurrence of the Village Board, appointed Maggie McCasey to the Conservancy and Scenic Corridor Committee (CSCC).

Chairman Smith & myself had the opportunity to speak with Ms. McCasey prior to her appointment tot eh CSCC and found her to ne knowledgeable and enthusiastic with regard to the duties of the CSCC. She will be a fine addition to the CSCC.

Welcome Maggie !!!!

B. <u>Discussion of natural plantings on landscape islands (Rt. 83 & O.M.R entering the</u> <u>CBD).</u>

Resident Rick Scardino contacted Village President Jacob regarding the possibility of improving the median islands along Route 83 and Old McHenry Road with landscaping.

Two topics for discussion;

- 1. A median plantings something which should be considered, and if so;
- 2. What types of low maintenance natural plantings would be most attractive and best suited to these locations.

At their August 25 Village Board meeting the Board here the report of the CSCC meeting of August 19th which included a discussion of this issue.

The direction of the Board was to explore the possibilities on a preliminary basis with emphasis on;

- 1) Providing preliminary suggestions for natural plantings in landscape islands.
- 2). Fiscal Impacts\Financial Costs associated with these improvements.
- 3). The suggested plants list for natural plantings in medians.

It was also suggested that the plantings for the Route 22 widening be reviewed and in any "excess" plant materials could be used in other landscape islands. The proposed Route 22 landscape plans are attached.

The Board is very appreciative of the effort of the CSCC in this matter and notes that implementation of these ideas may not be in the immediate future.

I have attached the contract with the Village and MILEU Landscaping for maintenance of village properties including landscape islands.

C. <u>Revised Plant Species List – Update</u>

At the August Meeting it was determined the revised list was not yet ready for public use.

Any update to the status of the revised list should be discussed.

D. Consideration of 2022 Meeting Dates

Attached is the proposed 2021 meeting calendar. This calendar maintains the "status quo" for CSCC meeting dates. A motion to approve this calendar is required and is necessary for compliance with the open meetings act.

Should you have questions feel free to contact me.