

**DATE:** May 21, 2018  
**TO:** Wisteria Park Eastside Residents  
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**SUBJ:** **MAY 18, 2018 REPORT ON WISTERIA PARK EASTSIDE LANDSCAPE**  
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May 18<sup>th</sup>, Matt Stewart, the supervisor from West Bay, Rob Russell Eastside Council, and I walked around the Eastside “Landscape Maintenance Included” homes. Prior to the inspection, an email notice was sent to Eastside residents notifying them of the inspection and asking if they had any landscape concerns we should explore.

### **Upcoming Eastside Landscape Services**

- Hard pruning of hibiscus – these were not pruned in the last pruning cycle because they were still blooming. The plan is to hard prune them back in the next week.
- West Bay has acquired a tool to improve cleaning around the irrigation “donuts”. This work began on Friday (May 18<sup>th</sup>).
- Broad leaf weed treatment is planned.
- Recently West Bay investigated a number of lawns suspected of cinch bugs but none were found. West Bay also treated several palm trees.

### **May Observations**

Most of the complaints over the past month have involved irrigation and the browning of lawns during the very dry weather. Matt drove through the development and where ever he saw a lawn with dry areas, he checked the irrigation. This was done in addition to the monthly irrigation check. Timers were also adjusted for additional watering time. However, due to limitations on the amount of reclaimed water which can be pumped at one time, only 6 – 8 homes can water at one time or else there is a problem with low flow. He also investigated any complaints made through Nicole. Luckily our Spring rains have begun and lawns are greening up nicely. We found several lawns that were recovering. We also found the rear lawn of a house with dry areas. Matt tested the irrigation system, and it was found an irrigation head was malfunctioning. Matt repaired it and the lawn should recover.

With the additional watering and the recent rains, broad leaf weeds such as dollar weed were found. West Bay plans to do a weed treatment of these weeds.

We planned to prune the tall (15’ or more) non-self pruning palms in June, but our observations were that the trees were hard pruned in November and except for one or two trees, there weren’t brown or low hanging fronds. Therefore, it was suggested that pruning be delayed until July.

During our April inspection, two weeping willows were found to be infested with wood boring beetles. Homeowners were advised to remove the trees, but the trees were still there during our check. There were two other weeping willows found with what appears to be a few bore holes. These will be rechecked on our next inspection.

At a homeowner’s request a holly shrub was checked for disease. A West Bay specialist will evaluate it to determine what treatment it will need. Another homeowner pointed out tall palm tree fronds were hitting their roof. It was suggested they arrange to have the fronds removed. A homeowner noted damage to the Styrofoam perimeter fence behind their house. HOA will arrange for repairs.