

Planting Plan Subcommittee (PPSC) Minutes of the September 9, 2021 Meeting

Attendees: Kristin Bianconi, John Bradley, Gloria Lewis, Kathy Proctor, Fran Thomforde

This meeting was held at the John Bradley's house and was convened at 10:30 AM.

The agenda was circulated in advance. Also circulated in advance of the meeting was a DRAFT review of progress made towards the execution of the LLPG planting plan proposals. This DRAFT progress review followed the structure of the Narrative Summary that was posted and shared with the Garden Club in spring 2021.

During this PPSC meeting we walked through the DRAFT Progress Review, raised comments and had discussions on each section plan. The PPSC members were charged with providing written edits and comments within one week following this meeting. To facilitate the collection and aggregation of these written comments the DRAFT progress review and Narrative Summary, which included LLPG section plant lists, were to be posted on Google Docs by Kathy Proctor, and all PPSC members invited to contribute. Importantly, PPSC members were asked to identify changes to their section planting plans, and estimate priority and timing of proposed further work. Members were allowed and encouraged to make comments and edits throughout the Progress Review documents.

Issues preventing and/or delaying the execution of the planting plans included:

- Acquisition of plants, either by donation or purchase
- Acquisition of fill dirt for the Gathering Place floor
- Agreement on the type and design of a backdrop/divider for the South Entrance/Gathering Place

The PPSC discussed potential approaches to remedy the above obstacles:

- Producing a checklist of plants wanted for LLPG, and present this to the Garden Club membership *in person* with a request to indicate which plants they can provide. Assistance may be provided for digging plants, as necessary. Perennial plants will be purchased if they are not donated. Shrubs are expected to be purchased, and some may be purchased for fall 2021 planting.
- Multiple potential sources of fill dirt were discussed, and PPSC members agreed to follow-up on these. It was agreed that this is high priority for execution of the planting plans.
- Characteristics of the backdrop/divider were discussed. It was agreed that it should not be fully opaque and should be approximately 4' high. There may be continuity from the backdrop of the South Entrance to the divider shielding the east side of the Gathering Place along the paved entrance path. Specific design proposals were solicited from the PPSC members.

When the Progress Review (including an updated wanted plant list) is finalized, it will be posted as an attachment to the PPSC meeting minutes, and shared with the LLPG Committee and Garden Club.

The next PPSC meeting will be scheduled for approximately one month, at which time the Progress Review should be ready for finalization. The meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM.

John D Bradley

PPSC chair