

Eastview Patio Homes II Association, PO Box 300164, Escondido CA 92030

## January 2015

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## President's Message:

In November, 2014, all residents received a letter from City Councilman Mark Kersey, kindly soliciting concerns about any city services that were not satisfactory. Some of you have probably responded individually.

As your Board, we would have to state that our primary City-related concern is the deplorable condition of our streets. Beyond the usual wear and tear, because of the indifference of City management in this regard, the streets are disintegrating before our eyes. We have, as a Board, decided to try to get as many Eastview residents as possible to sign letters to Mr. Kersey, asking for a meeting to hand-deliver the messages to him, and discuss the issue. Our plan at present is that Board members will go door-to-door to drop off letters that you can review and sign, if you are comfortable with that. If you are not home when the Board members come by, the letters will be left on your door. In that case, we would then ask that you drop the signed letters off at the community center office. Our intention is that we will have all of these collected by the end of February.

The following is a draft of the proposed letter we will be bringing to you:

## Dear Councilman Kersey:

As a resident in the Eastview Patio Homes II Association in Rancho Bernardo, I would like to voice my complaint about the terrible condition of the City owned streets in our Association.

After the wildfires of 2007, in which 14 homes were destroyed in our neighborhood, the fire traffic, as well as the construction traffic to rebuild these homes, caused severe damage to our streets. The residents were assured by the City that the streets would be addressed after the construction work was completed. To date, nothing has been done to my street.

I am joining with my neighbors in requesting that you immediately look into this matter and address the deplorable condition of my street.

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In addition, since every request probably helps with these things, please also feel free to contact Mr. Kersey directly yourself—by letter, e-mail, or phone. Here is his contact information:

Councilman Mark Kersey, District 5 202 C Street San Diego CA 92101

619-236-6655

MarkKersey@sandiego.gov

Kay Agriesti Board President

#### **Applications Due for Prospective Board Members:**

We will have two vacancies to the Board coming up, due to term expirations, and are looking for civic-minded, enthusiastic individuals, who want to see our community continue to thrive.

If you think you might be interested, but would like more information, you may call our President, Kay Agriesti, and she can explain what's involved. We do need to ask all interested parties to submit a brief biographical sketch, by mail, by no later than February 5, 2015, at the Association address listed on page one.

#### **Regarding Dues Increase:**

In the last newsletter, we explained that we needed to raise the HOA monthly dues by \$10 to \$245. We have realized a number of our residents pay electronically, and that the dues amount would not increase unless they

direct their bank to do so. So, if you pay your bills in this fashion, in order to avoid becoming delinquent in your dues by \$10/month, please notify your bank of this change (if you haven't done so already).



## **Landscape Report:**

El Nino! El Nino! It looks like the start of a wet winter. Water consumption, however, will continue to be our top priority for 2015. Pro-Scape is busy retro-fitting slope sprinkler heads with low volume, water saving rotor heads. Lately, our irrigation systems have been used sparingly, watering only three days a week (M,W,F) when necessary.

- Our lawns have been seeded with winter-rye. They will be reseeded as necessary.
- Some new plants are being added to front yards, where needed, to supplement and refurbish.
- Front yard trees are scheduled for trimming this spring.
- Some slope trees will be removed in this January. This is an ongoing effort to cull dangerous/crowded slope areas. These are recommendations from our certified arborist.
- Clean-up and refurbishing of some older plant material along the back of Rosedown and the corner of Tretagnier, will be completed this winter.

Please continue to notify Pro-Scape of any irrigation issues ASAP. Use "Landscape Request Forms" to request or alert landscape issues. You are the "eyes" of the community!

Happy New Year Landscape Chair

**Pro-Scape can be reached at:** 760-480-1544 (Regular Business Hours)

760-473-3574 (Emergency/After Hours/Weekends)

#### **Hardscape Report:**

We continue to try to have the City work with us to repair several items: a broken curb, a sidewalk on Devereux, and 8 street lamps, among other things. After repeated calls/attempts, we are still awaiting action from the City.

Painting of rusted electrical boxes will be done in the next few months.

#### San Diego Dog Laws:

We continue to hear concerns from residents regarding dogs being walked without leashes. As we pointed out in our last (October 2014) newsletter, while these pets are well behaved, and would probably never bolt, it is in the San Diego County Code (section 62.669), that dogs must be on a hand-held leash, and controllable, when walking in neighborhoods. Please comply with this regulation.

#### **And Remember...Slow Down!**

Speeding through the neighborhoods also continues to be reported. The maximum speed limit for Eastview is 25 mph; 15 mph for blind intersections. Don't be responsible for an accident.

## **Home Inspections 2015:**

As in prior years, the Board will conduct external home inspections in zones of the development, looking for any areas in disrepair or in violation of guidelines. This includes only portions of your homes visible from the street, but also includes the outside walls in back yards that face out onto common areas. Generally, this includes stucco/paint issues, wrought iron gate appearances, front yard landscaping issues, etc. The inspections won't start until May, so if you are considering such improvements on your own, this is a great time to get started.

This year, the following streets will be inspected: Belle Helene, Chretien, Colonnades, Corte Tezcuco, Tatia, and Voisin.

## **Contacting the Board**

Please respect the privacy of the Board Members. They serve you without compensation. Owners may write to the Board at: Eastview Patio Homes II, PO Box 300164, Escondido CA 92030 with any questions, concerns, or complaints (including possible CC&R violations), or you are always welcome to attend an upcoming board meeting, each of which is held on the second Thursday of each month, at the Eastview Community Center, to address the board on any issue directly. Notices for meetings and agendas are posted at the Eastview Community Center four days in advance of the meetings, so that owners can see what topics will be discussed.



# Home Improvement Projects: Architectural Review Committee Requirements

Eastview is a beautiful community. As our homes and yards mature, there is often a need or desire to upgrade or repair them with any number of projects. Please remember before making any exterior improvements to your home, to fill out and submit an ARC (Architectural Review Committee) form. These are available on line at <u>eastviewrb.com</u>, or at the Eastview Community Center office.

Failure to do so can result in fines; ARC meets at the Community Center the second Tuesday of each month at 4 pm.

#### **Important Telephone Numbers:**

Emergency:	911
Police:	858-538-8090
Police, North County Information	858-538-8146
SDG&E	800-411-7343
Time Warner Cable	858-695-3220
Water/Sewer	619-515-3500
Trash Collection	858-694-7000
San Diego City Information	619-515-3525
Animal Control	760-746-7307