



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Jones and Members of the Board

FROM: Karen Proctor, Town Administrator

DATE: October 7, 2021

RE: Open Space Clean Up

DISCUSSION:

As staff reported at the meeting on September 2nd, Mile High Flood District (MHFD) indicated that they may be able to do some of the clean up work in the Open Space. On September 8th Trustee Thompson and Trustee Farreau met with members of MHFD at the Open Space.

The result of this meeting was that MHFD can do about half the work the Town would like done in the open space. The MHFD channel goes about 120 feet or so east of the concrete forebay, so they can help with the vegetation removal up to there. They believe they can do this work later this fall or right after the first of the year. MHFD can also secure the grates on the overflow structure.

Based on the work that MHFD has indicated they can do, staff asked Terracare to rebid the remaining work with the understanding that their scope of work is the area east of the stone wall retention area only. Attached is their revised proposal in the amount of \$14,640. The initial pruning and removal are proposed to be done in the fall to winter months for easier access to work zone and to lessen the chances of happening upon things that bite.

Terracare is doing a good job bagging the thistle in the open space. The thistle is also in the east area, and it tends to reseed its way in toward the debris. MHFD explained that the willow trees naturally replacing the dead cottonwoods are "crack" willows and considered an invasive species. As the branch bends or drops to the ground, it roots and grows a new tree. This is the reason why Terracare is suggesting pruning 10-foot clearance from the ground and spraying the suckers. MHFD did suggest possibly reseeding the area once it is cleared.

MHFD securing the grates is a top priority due to potential health and safety issues.

The vegetation removal west of the stone wall retention area (along the trickle pond and outlet structure) is secondary. It is not as bad as the east area but does tend to be the area where needles and bottles are found and there is evidence of some disruption in the rock wall, like a stash area. This area also has a lot of "driftwood" lying on the ground and remnants of small fires have been found in the tunnel and along the walkway wall. There are some "crack" willow present in this area. MHFD cleanup of the west area could help deter some of this activity.

The current Open Space Fund balance is \$163,766. These funds can be used for this project.

Would the Board like to accept Terracare's bid and move forward with this cleanup of the east area?

Graffiti-

We have had no calls in response to the signs asking for a volunteer to paint a full mural in the tunnel. The project to commission a mural can move forward.

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit A: Terracare Associates Proposal



Proposal
10/1/2021

Terracare Info:

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Submitted To

Town Of Foxfield
P.O. Box 461450
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Open Space Tree Trimming
Attn: Karen Proctor

Project Discription

Open Space Tree Trimming

Remove all dead trees and brush in riparian zone between drain pan & property line	\$11,400.00
Spray all cut stumps	\$300.00
Spray all sprouts in 2022 twice	\$600.00
Prune all trees living greater than 6" dia.at 4.5' height to deadwood & raise to 10'	\$2,340.00
Project total estimated cost	\$14,640.00

Term and Conditions

This quotation is valid for 30 days from the "Proposal" date listed above. Net terms do apply.

By: Bill Winfield 10/1/2021 Accepted: _____
 Terracare Associates, LLC Date Town Of Foxfield Date: