# **Discussion**

# Individual Director Goals, Priorities & Requests

#### Committee Budget Requests (as of 1/18/22)

All items, unless marked, are costs that would go into the baseline requiring similar investment every year

#### TLUC - \$200:

• \$200 for guest speaker refreshments

#### Landscaping - \$384,500 :

- \$300 for member appreciation event
- \$100,000 (est.) for Landscape Director FTE
- \$20,000 for invasive removal\*\*
- Up to \$50,000 for additional tree maintenance
- \$90,000 for storm water pilot implementation\*\*
- Drought Plan
  - \$20,000 for additional seasonal worker
  - \$104,000 for hoses and hose reels\*
  - \$200 for outlay to add soaker hoses etc to USP\*

#### Communications - \$4,800:

- \$3,000 for website upgrade\*
- \$1,800 for monthly monitoring

## Activities - \$8,900:

- \$1,300 Possible Spring Event
- \$700 Face Painting and Snow Cones Pool Opening Memorial Day
- \$400 Garden Tour June
- \$3,000 Summer Concerts June, July, August
- \$100 Doggie Dog September
- \$100 Yard Sale September
- \$1,300 Possible Fall Event
- \$800 Wine & Cheese Event November
- \$800 Tree Lighting Event
- \$400 Parent's Group events

# Recreation – \$??:

- \$5,000 for two movie nights
- \$??? for new lighting at tennis courts\*

### A&PB - \$??:

\$28,000 for moving to higher grade door painting\*\*

• \$?? for moving to unprimed wood trim replacements

<sup>\*</sup>once a generation cost item so not repeated in future operating budgets

<sup>\*\*</sup>a repeated, but one time per location, cost that would be necessary in several future operating budgets

# **ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE FY23 PROPOSED ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET\*\***

June 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023

\$1,300 Possible Spring Event

\$700 Face Painting and Snow Cones - Pool Opening Memorial Day

\$400 Garden Tour - June

\$3,000 Summer Concerts – June, July, August

\$100 Doggie Dog - September

\$100 Yard Sale – September

\$1,300 Possible Fall Event

\$800 Wine & Cheese Event – November

\$800 Tree Lighting Event

\$400 Parent's Group events

\$8900 Total

We do our best to hold all of these events, but it is dependent on member volunteer availability

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Parkfairfax Board of Directors

FR: A& PB

RE: Recommendations for Ward 4 Painting

DA: January 18, 2022

As part of the discussion on adopting a new color palette for front doors, the A&PB was asked to research the potential budgetary impact of implementing our recommendation of upgrading the paint to Benjamin Moore Advance High Gloss.

#### **Current Situation**

The current painting contract with Palmer Brothers allows for a single coat in McCormick Interlok on each front door at a cost of \$40 per door. Changing color requires an additional coat at another \$40 per door billed separately. Every front door is painted as part of the paint cycle regardless of the door's condition. Most of the \$40 is labor cost; materials costs are minimal when spread across 300+ doors.

Repairs to door surrounds and other wood trim is being done with pre-primed lumber and painted with a single top coat of McCormick Interlok. Cut ends are not primed. Those repairs where using the pre-primed lumber is not possible, raw lumber is used but it is not primed before installation and is painted with only one coat of the McCormick Interlok.

#### Recommendations

We recommend upgrading to Benjamin Moore Advance High Gloss and a high quality primer tinted to match the top coat color for painting front doors. Advance is a high quality water-borne alkyd paint which is a latex paint with the durability of an oil-based paint. Changing to the new, higher quality Benjamin Moore would require one coat of tinted primer and two top coats of Advance High Gloss.

Based on the current contract's \$40 per coat, the upgrade would add approximately \$80 per door to the current contract's value. The number of front doors in Ward 4 is 346 so that would be an increase of approximately \$28,000 from the current contract. Although the painting cycle will be more than currently budgeted, we anticipate, based on professional opinions from the industry, that making the investment in the higher quality paint will allow us to extend the painting cycle of front doors to at least ten years or more depending on the door's exposure.

With regard to repairs to door surrounds and door trim, we recommend switching from the pre-primed pine currently used to unfinished solid common pine and priming it on all sides plus cut ends and applying one coat of McCormick Interlok before installation. The repaired area would get a second coat

as part of painting the entire door surround or wood trim once installed. The cost of unfinished solid common pine is can be as much as 35% less than pre-primed pine.\*

Our strong belief is the paint failures on repaired areas that we have experienced over the years could be due in large part to failure of the primer used by the manufacture of the wood. It is likely a low quality primer and, therefore is more prone to failure especially when it is protected only by a single top coat of paint.

Exterior paint jobs generally specify two coats in addition to a primer given the weather and elements to which the paint is constantly exposed. A high quality primer plus two coats of paint not only provides a better finish from an aesthetic standpoint, it also extends the life of the paint job.

In conclusion, we ask the Board to seriously consider the above recommendations as you and Management develop the budget for the next fiscal year. We standby to provide any additional information that may be helpful.

\* Price comparison based on pricing for a single 8 foot piece of 1x4.

**Subject: Re: Budget Preparation** 

**Recreation Committee** 

I don't have access to the budget numbers but we would appreciate doubling our budget from last year so we may hold two movie nights. We've had lots of fun and great turnouts. Given this is outdoor fun, it's safe to do more.

Second, as we replace the Valley Drive tennis and basketball asphalt courts and replace them with a synthetic that is softer on our ligaments and bodies, we would like to request new lighting be put in the court that is used for tennis and pickleball. The existing lighting is poorly designed, and it would be less expensive to replace the lighting at the same time we replace the court.

Paul Friedman, Chair