

Palomar Townhomes Replacement Plan for Trees and Shrubs

It is the opinion of the current Landscape Chair(s) that shrubs and trees which are removed should, in most cases, be replaced as soon as possible. However, we do not believe that the replacements necessarily need to be the same species or number of plantings as those removed and some may not need to be replaced at all.

All replacements will be chosen for appropriateness of mature size, soil type, light exposure, water requirements and our gardening zone (6a). Homeowners will be given options for choices of shrubs/trees whenever possible. Plantings will be done in either spring or fall so that they have an opportunity to develop a good root system with the least possible amount of stress from the elements.

According to the Council of Trees and Landscape Appraisers, a sound, mature tree can add from \$1000.00 to \$10,000 to the value of a home. "Turf" magazine (Oct 3, 2016) states that upgrading landscaping can add from 10 to 12 percent to the value of a home. For these reasons, it is vital to the value of our townhomes to retain healthy, mature trees and to replace those that are not healthy. It is also imperative that old shrubs, many of which date to the 1980s and early '90s be replaced with fresh shrubbery for the same reason.

The time frame for replacement of trees/shrubs may be impacted by several factors such as weather, appropriateness of season for planting and/or availability of desired shrubs/trees.

Landscape Chair(s), Palomar Townhomes

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