PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET: Morningside NEMG 2013 Landscaping and Irrigation Improvement Project

Background:

The Morningside Neighborhood was built in the 1980's but has only been represented by a voluntary homeowners' association/crime watch group since 2010. Morningside improved the area along Kelly Blvd. from the entrance at Old Mill to Trinity Springs. An irrigation system was added in conjunction with City of Carrollton Corridor beautification program. Debris, old plants, old wooden neighborhood ID sign and Bartlett Pear trees at the corner of Old Mill and Kelly Blvd. were removed, and new monument sign identifying the Morningside neighborhood along with updated landscaping will be added.

Proposal:

The scope of this project focused on a new monument sign and landscape improvements which included approximately 1 single stem crepe Mertyl trees, 12 red yucca, 25 Mexican feather grass plants, 55 lantana and 40 purple creepers. Native and adaptive species were carefully selected for their regional appropriateness and in order to minimize future irrigation and maintenance costs, resulting in a palette that is both sustainable as well as aesthetically pleasing.

Budget/Materials/Labor:

The total budget for this project was \$12,013. Of this sum, the grant request from the Neighborhood Advisory Commission is \$5,000. The Morningside Voluntary Neighborhood Association contributed organization and labor to carry out this project. Neighbors have volunteered their time and skills to carry out parts of this project. The City Arborist has graciously agreed to donate the irrigation and plants for this project at \$2013.00. All future maintenance and irrigation costs will be the responsibility of the HOA.

Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) Recommendations:

On August 8, 2013 the NAC discussed the proposal and voted on a recommendation. The Morningside Voluntary Neighborhood Association proposal was <u>approved</u> for recommendation with a unanimous vote of 8-0.





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