

CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT
AGENDA REPORT
January 27, 2015

Manager's Reports and Old Business

ITEM J.3

Modifications to Planter Behind the Guard Building

At the last Board meeting it was agreed that the District would get an estimate to perform a slight modification to the isolated planter island behind the guard building.

The concern with a modification is that the corner of the concrete planter curb juts out into the driveway a bit too much and catches the passenger-side tires of passing vehicles entering on the guest/service side of the driveway.

The discussion a month ago circled around the suggestion to completely remove the planter. It was pointed out however, that the design of the driveways, pedestrian walkway, sidewalks, crosswalks and striping was approved by the City as per the submitted plans and any substantial changes to the approved plan would have to be reviewed and permitted again by the City.

In lieu of this lengthy entitlement process the Board opted instead to just cut the planter back 18 inches. Such a minor modification would not trigger the requirement for a review by the City.

During the month after the December Board meeting Director Breeding came to the District Office and expressed his doubts about the plan to alter the planter and indicated he still prefers to have the planter removed completely.

In light of Director Breeding's uncertainty, this item is back before the Board for further consideration.

The cost to cut the planter back 18 inches, pour a new section of concrete curb and repair the concrete tiles will run \$600-\$700.

There is no cost estimate developed yet for a complete planter removal but it could be in the neighborhood of \$7000-\$8000 or more depending on how the City wants to alter the traffic and pedestrian flow patterns, assuming they will even approve such a change.