Conservatory Metropolitan District Community Update August, 2013

As part of its ongoing effort to keep residents apprised of current matters before the Board of Directors of the Conservatory Metropolitan District, the Board intends to provide periodic updates to the community. The information contained here is only a brief summary, and residents are encouraged to attend Board meetings to learn about matters firsthand. The Board meets regularly at 9:00 a.m. on the third Monday of every other month (odd numbered months) at the Conservatory Clubhouse, 2665 S. Jebel Way. Minutes of recent meetings are posted to the District's website. For additional information please contact the District Manager at (303) 987-0835 or visit our website at <u>www.yourcmd.org</u>.

<u>Watering Restrictions Removed</u>: As you may know, the City of Aurora previously imposed outdoor watering restrictions but has now gone back to its standard watering regulations. This means outdoor watering for residential customers is limited to <u>three days per week</u> (formerly two days per week). As before, watering is NOT permitted between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. For addresses ending in even numbers, watering is permitted on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays only. For addresses ending in odd numbers, watering is permitted on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

The District is responsible for irrigation of the turf areas along South Conservatory Parkway, South Jericho Way, and East Hampden Avenue. Summit Services, Inc., the District's landscaping contractor, will be responsible for managing the water consumption on the areas maintained by the District over the course of the season. The District's irrigation schedule will remain the same as before for most of the irrigated areas. An additional watering day will be added in areas where the turf has been stressed from under watering on an as-needed basis. Additional information about the City of Aurora's water restrictions is available on line at: www.auroragov.org.

Neighborhood Reporting: Auto accidents along Conservatory Parkway and Jericho resulting in damage to our trees and landscaping improvement account for the vast majority of the District's insurance claims. The majority of the accidents go unreported and the cost to repair the damage is therefore paid by the District's insurance. The cost of the insurance is expected to increase because of the excessive number of unreported accidents. In order to help control these costs and the effect this has on your property taxes we encourage you to report the license number, date and time of any accidents you may observe. This allows the District the opportunity to collect from the insurance provider of the party at fault, thereby controlling our insurance premiums. Please provide any known information related to accidents to the Aurora Police at (303) 627-3100. It is very helpful when this information is also reported to the District Manager, AJ Beckman at (303) 987-0835. If you are aware of an emergency please dial 911 and report all details.

Tree Replacements: Over the past two years the District has replaced over 120 dead or dying trees along South Conservatory Parkway and South Jericho Way. This year the District's Landscaping Committee is planning to remove and replace nearly sixty (60) additional trees, mainly along the northern portions of South Conservatory Parkway. Unlike prior years, the planting is expected to take place this fall in order to accommodate contractor scheduling and to avoid planting during the warmest weeks of the year. The winter weather has also killed or severely damaged over three dozen trees in the District. The District is removing 22 dead or dying trees and will be monitoring 27 additional trees over the next few months.

<u>Metal Fencing</u>: The District's Board of Directors will be accepting bids this summer from qualified contractors for replacement of the metal fencing located on District property. The replacement project is expected to occur in phases over the next three to five years.

Board Vacancy: Board Member Jud Davis, has informed the Board he will need to step down as he will be moving out of the District. His dedicated service to the District is greatly appreciated and will leave an open seat on the Board. If you are interested in filling the vacancy please feel free to contact AJ Beckman, the District Manager, for more information at (303) 987-0835.