

**Conservatory Metropolitan District
Community Update
October 2018**

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 herein is only a brief summary, and residents are encouraged to attend Board meetings to learn about matters firsthand. With the exception of January and special meetings, the Board meets regularly at 9:00 a.m. on the third Monday of every month 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 www.yourcmd.org.

Public Art Improvements are coming to the Community: The City of Aurora requires developers to provide public art within new communities. The District worked with the City to commission and install public art within the community. The City collected and set aside \$72,000 for this purpose, pursuant to a development agreement with Lennar. A Public Art Selection Committee comprised of District representatives, a homeowner within the District, and City representatives reviewed 61 entries from local and regional artists in response to its Call for Entries published in April 2017. The committee narrowed its selections to four finalists. Presentations to the District's Board of Directors and the Community occurred at the September 18, 2017 Board Meeting. At that time, the entry presented by Madeline Wiener, Sculpture Artist, was selected. Ms. Wiener was commissioned to create two large interactive stone sculptures and two stone benches (resembling stacked books), which are part of an interactive seating area. The seating area is located in Tract I, generally located at the intersection of South Conservatory Parkway and South Jericho Way in the open area across from the Aurora Frontier P-8 School. Installation of the sculptures occurred on September 17th, and the sculpture garden is expected to be completed by June of 2019. We are very excited to bring this enhancement to the community.

Detention Pond Renovation: As you may know, there are several storm water detention ponds in the utility area to the west of our community. These ponds accept storm drainage and allow retention time for impurities to settle to the bottom of the ponds before the water runs into the local creeks and drainage areas. Renovations to the ponds will continue to take place throughout the year.

Damaged Retaining Wall Along Trail: The block retaining wall located along the trail on the east side of S. Conservatory Parkway near S. Jebel Way has been damaged, with the top 2-3 courses of block having been pushed over off the top of the wall. Repair to the retaining wall is in process.

Tracts I, J, and K: The District is in the process of accepting the landscaping and various other public improvements for ownership and maintenance in the Lennar Development on the east side of South Conservatory Parkway and South Jericho Way. This will occur once all items are found to be in an acceptable condition and free of substantial defects. Once the District has accepted ownership and maintenance responsibilities, the Board will consider having smart irrigation and hydrometers installed on these tracts. The smart irrigation controllers have built-in water saving features including sensors to adjust to the optimal sprinkler run-time based on local weather conditions. The smart irrigation controllers will help to reduce water usage. The hydrometers are instruments used for measuring the relative density of liquids based on the concept of buoyancy. The District recently finished installing these hydrometers throughout the rest of the community.

Landscaping: Now that it is fall, you may notice that the turf and trees are beginning to turn. The irrigation system will be winterized within the next few weeks. If you are aware of an irrigation leak or landscaping problem, please utilize the link on the District's website at www.yourcmd.org and complete a maintenance request on the Landscaping and Grounds Maintenance page. You may also contact the District Manager at (303) 987-0835.

2019 Budget Hearing: The District's Board will adopt the 2019 budget and set the mill levy for repayment of debt and to fund operations for the 2019 budget year at the budget hearing set for October 22, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the Clubhouse. A Notice Concerning the Proposed 2019 Budget was published in the *Aurora Sentinel* on October 11, 2018. Residents are invited and encouraged to attend.