

**MEMORANDUM COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES - MEMO NO. CNS15-113**

**DATE:** JUNE 11, 2015

**TO:** MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

**THRU:** MARSHA REED, ACTING CITY MANAGER *MR*  
NACHIE MARQUEZ, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER *NM*  
JENNIFER MORRISON, COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES  
DIRECTOR *JM*

**FROM:** JUDY RAMOS, NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAMS COORDINATOR *JR*

**SUBJECT:** APPROVAL OF TWELVE OAKS TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT  
REQUEST FOR THE PURCHASE OF PAINT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
\$5,000.00

RECOMMENDATION: Neighborhood Programs staff and the Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC) recommend approval of the Twelve Oaks Traditional Neighborhood Grant request for the purchase of paint in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

BACKGROUND: The Twelve Oaks Neighborhood is a 20-year old traditional neighborhood that is located south of Chandler Boulevard, north of Earhart Way, west of Stellar Parkway and south of Del Pueblo Street. The community is applying for grant funds to purchase paint for the exterior of two neighborhood walls that front Twelve Oaks Boulevard and Rural Road. The property owners individually own each section of the two continuous walls. As a result, residents are permitted to paint the wall any color, as there are no City codes or Covenants, Conditions or Restrictions (CC&Rs) that prohibit the owners from choosing their own paint color. Therefore, in order to maintain consistency in the appearance of the neighborhood wall, residents whose homes back up to Twelve Oaks Boulevard have come together to request grant funds that will assist them with the purchase of paint.

The original builder of this phase of Twelve Oaks maintained the two neighborhood walls along Twelve Oaks Boulevard and Rural Road for the first ten years. Subsequently, the responsibility of maintaining the two continuous walls fell upon each resident. Due to the uniqueness of the individual ownership of each segment of the wall, developing a solution to the uniform painting of the wall has presented challenges.

The perimeter wall has been declining for some time. Staff from Code Enforcement and Neighborhood Programs has worked with the neighborhood toward the goal of restoring the wall condition. Several of the residents in the area attended the Spring Traditional Neighborhood Academy and through the Academy became aware that City grant funds are available to improve and maintain Traditional

Neighborhoods. As a result, these residents worked together with other neighbors to develop and submit this grant request. If funded, this grant will provide paint for the painting of the wall of seventeen of the properties.

**STANDARD CONDITIONS:** Applicants of the Traditional Neighborhood Grant must meet four required standard conditions of the grant. The conditions include developing a neighborhood safety program, performing outreach in the neighborhood, becoming educated about various neighborhood programs and City services and making a final presentation to the NAC. The Twelve Oaks residents have agreed to implement several activities to meet the conditions of the grant and engage all members of their community.

1. **Neighborhood Safety:** To address neighborhood safety, the neighborhood is expanding their participation on Nextdoor.com, a social media platform for neighborhoods. Nextdoor is unique as only residents that live within the neighborhood boundaries can join. Twelve Oaks residents are using Nextdoor to communicate with neighbors and to encourage safety awareness. Many residents also attended meetings arranged by the Chandler Police Department to discuss safety concerns.
2. **Neighborhood Outreach:** The community is using Nextdoor.com as their main source of outreach between neighbors. They have also conducted a neighborhood survey and plan to hold a neighborhood meeting to discuss and review the results of their survey. They will also be conducting a secondary neighborhood survey to select a neighborhood sign topper in order to promote neighborhood identity within their community.
3. **Neighborhood Education:** Ten Twelve Oaks Neighborhood residents were enrolled in the Mayor's Traditional Neighborhood Academy. The residents attended four two-hour workshops held once a week where they learned about City resources and how to work with City staff to address neighborhood challenges.
4. **Final Presentation to the NAC:** The Twelve Oaks Neighborhood residents are committed to providing the NAC with a final presentation upon completion of the grant and its requirements.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** Based on estimates obtained by City staff, the Twelve Oaks Neighborhood is requesting a grant in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. No financial match is required per the Traditional Neighborhood Grant Program guidelines. Owners are required to make all needed wall repairs prior to receiving the exterior paint. The Code Enforcement office will verify completion of the work. Traditional Neighborhood Grant Funds have been budgeted in the Neighborhood Programs Fiscal Year 2014-2015 operating budget and are available to fund the Twelve Oaks Traditional Neighborhood Grant request.

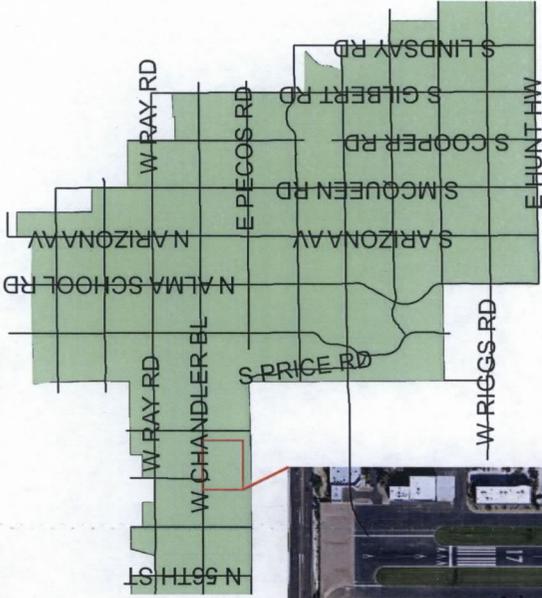
**NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE VOTE:** Approval of the Twelve Oaks Neighborhood Grant request for the purchase of paint in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

In Favor: 5    Opposed: 0    Absent: 2

**PROPOSED MOTION:** Move to approve the Twelve Oaks Neighborhood Grant request for the purchase of paint in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00

*Attachments: 1) Twelve Oaks Neighborhood and Wall Boundary Map*

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