Springdale Estates Entrances

Springdale Estates residents have consistently ranked the appearance of the entrances as a top priority. The garden beds at the entrances have some overdue renovation and due to the indefinite delay of the Leesville Road widening, it makes sense to focus on improving these areas.

2021

- Cleanup of dead or struggling plants in all garden beds (currently securing bids form two new landscape companies)
- Irrigation system replacement: bids from 2-3 companies (current system has not worked in 5 years and City of Raleigh has implemented new requirements such as backflow prevention). Present proposal at SEA Annual meeting November 2021.
- Appropriate pruning of crepe myrtles at both entrances
- Repair damage from water main replacement at north entrance
- Run soil test for each garden bed
- Implement modest plan for 2021 by matching current shrubs on both sides of entrances, and using existing liriope and purple heart to line garden beds

2022:

- Replace irrigation system at traffic light entrance (after HOA approval and confirmation that Leesville Road widening has been indefinitely postponed)
- Renovate plantings to follow 2001 design plan, using primarily shrubs to establish symmetry, color and ease of care/ robustness

June 2021

Hardscaping and Landscaping at Springdale Estates Big Lake

Hardscaping

- Install path along lake using plastic pavers, infilled with gravel
- Install boat ramp, edge with erosion control (excelsior) blanket and native grasses
- Leftover pavers from the dam landscaping project will be used to stabilize the bare soil areas at the Lakewood Drive Lake Access and to improve the aesthetics there

Slope erosion control

• Establish turf grass on edges of gravel path, filling in eroded areas near picnic table, trash can and other benches.

Prepare planting areas for Fall 2021 planting

• Use wood chips to prevent further erosion and provide some organic matter

Fall 2021:

• Use plants approved by the Garden Club and plant to achieve symmetry, robustness and ease of care

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