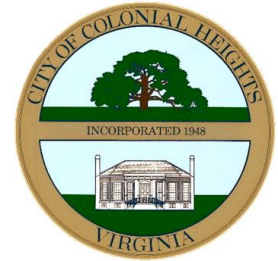


Memorandum



To: Mr. Douglas Smith, City Manager
From: Craig Skalak, Director of Recreation & Parks
Date: February 22, 2022
Re: Council Retreat Item – Roundabout Irrigation & Planting Project

Doug –

The Public Works department recently made necessary repairs to the water supply line servicing the roundabout central island, medians, and splitter islands, and that was apparently damaged during construction. We are close to resolving questions regarding electrical service and lateral water line sizes, and expect to bid the project within 4-6 weeks. This work should be completed by late-spring/early summer through a local contractor.

Plantings and mulching in the medians and splitter islands, as specified in the original plans from LPDA, is planned for this fall. Our approach will be to follow LPDA's plan (plant varieties and locations), but minimize the plant sizes and reduce the number of plants. The plan specifies numerous varieties of shade trees, ornamental trees, evergreen trees, perennials, and ground cover. We will initially get estimates for a local contractor to perform the work, but are willing to do it in-house if not affordable. Lane closures with assistance from Public Works and/or an appropriate contractor will be necessary for work zone safety concerns and traffic management during the irrigation and landscaping projects.

The Colonial Heights Beautification Committee is aware and supports the City's irrigation and landscaping plans for the medians and splitter islands. Additionally, the committee is interested in future discussions regarding plans for the central island.