

The Estates of Shady Hollow



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Welcome New Board Members

Please share your thanks with Victoria Harkins, John McGraw and April Schweighart who have volunteered to serve on your Board for the next two years. Without volunteers like Victoria, John and April, the Estates would not be the gem that it is.

Changes to the CC&Rs

All of the proposed changes to the CC&Rs were approved at the Annual Meeting last month except for Vote #6, Permitted Structures. (Complete voting results as well as a summary of the approved changes are at www.eshhoa.org.)

The consensus during the discussion leading up to the vote seemed to be that the intent of Vote #6 makes sense, but the 500 square foot limit is too restrictive. Your Board will take another look at this issue next year. If you would like to have input, please contact John McGraw (jmcgraw@austin.rr.com; 282-0438).

Expanded Patrols

Because of our arrangement with the Shady Hollow MUD, patrols by off-duty Constables have increased at no additional cost to us. Weekday patrols have been added to the evening and weekend patrols we had before. So now Constables are in and out of the Estates 40 more hours each week.

December Board Meeting: Different Date, Place

The December Board meeting will be at 6pm on Tuesday the 14th at the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District building, 1124 Regal Row (on left, about 1 block East of Manchaca Service Center on Manchaca). As always, you are welcome to join us!

Thanks to Retiring Board Members

We all owe David Carpenter, George Robbins and Deborah Treece a big "THANK YOU" for their service on the Board the past two years. During the past two years, they have made important contributions to making the Estates an even better place to live and raise a family -- Patrols by off-duty County Constables have been implemented, significantly reducing vandalism, speeding and other undesirable activities in the Estates; the CC&Rs have been updated to make them easier for all of us to use; the process by which violations are identified has been tightened up to help ensure that the CC&Rs are administered uniformly and fairly. They've even gotten the County to clean up road signs that have been vandalized or damaged!

Thanks, David, George and Deborah -- you will be missed!!

Want to Save Some Money?

The expertise and experience of homeowners in the Estates is amazing! We have homeowners who are familiar with the rate-making process and believe that we have a good shot at reducing the increase in water rates proposed by Aqua Texas. And equally important, they know how to go about it.

A hearing on the increase is scheduled for March 1, but there is much to be done before then. Pat Crawford, Victoria Harkins, Kathleen Lecheler, George and Susan Robbins, Robert Thonhoff, Jr. and Dyan Tullia are forming a committee to lead the charge. If you would like to help, please contact Victoria Harkins (vharkins@ev.net; 291-8219).

Even if you're not on the committee, there are things we need you to do if we are going to be successful. You will be getting more information shortly after the first of the year.

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