




## Memorandum

**To:** Mr. Geisel, City Administrator

**From:**  Tom McCarthy, CPRP  
Director of Parks, Recreation & Arts

**Date:** 4/28/2022

**Re:** ARPA City Hall Landscaping Project

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As you are aware we received \$125,000 to make improvements to the City Hall landscaping. The goal is to make the overall landscaping less wild and brushy a bit more eye catching and less maintenance intensive. Steve Jarvis, Matt Nolting and I feel like we have come up with a good solution to address several of the big concerns. Parks will take care of the project mostly in house and will work on this over time to complete the entire project. We have come up with a concept for your review and direction. As a sample area of how we will work through the overall project we have started with an area that is front and center to one of the areas that has given us the most trouble over the years. This area is the north entrance to the City Hall campus just off of the Chesterfield Parkway and City Center Drive. We have been in the process of removing all the overgrowth and weedy native look over the winter months and we are recommending to come back in adding a bit of topsoil and sod to green up the area and then put in small manageable plantings in a few spaces around the pond and large boulders to give the area a bit of color and beauty. We will also mulch around the boulders to help define the small planting areas and gravel around some of the large boulders near the pond. I would like to take the committee out to the actual area and let us walk them through the actual concept so they can see what we are planning on doing.

I have attached a few documents for phase one of our plan. This first portion around the pond will cost \$6,045. If this is approved we will take this concept south along the Parkway to the fountain and around to the underground parking garage driveway off of Swingley Ridge.

### Items attached

1. Aerial view of the pond area we will address first
2. Diagram of filled in grass area, index of plantings, mulch and gravel to help with erosion diagram
3. Plant list and pictures of the plants
4. Visual of plants in the sample area of phase one.

After the phase one portion of the project is complete, we will start phase two by addressing the planter beds on both sides of the main entrance ramps to City Hall and then start work on the medians and the parking lot areas. Phase three will consist of cleaning up the last water feature area in the northwest area with the removal of the brush and continue with similar plantings of phase one with additional lawn and strategic small plantings around the rocks and water's edge with mulch and rock to stabilize and enhance the areas. Stage four will address updating the medians and roundabout on City Center Drive. Attached is a map of stage one, two, three and four areas below. This work will be done throughout the year and completion sometime in spring of 2023. Matt, Steve and I all feel the ARPA funding of a \$125,000 is adequate for the entire project to be completed.

If you would like to further discuss this please let me know at your earliest convenience.



Phase 1 light blue, 2 Orange, 3 Rust, 4 Purple





Sod

10. Gravel Area

Mulch around existing rocks

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4 5 6 7

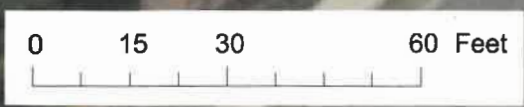
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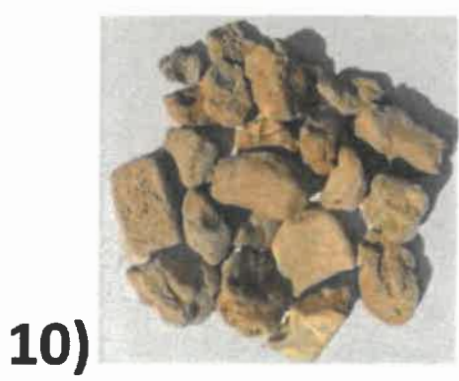
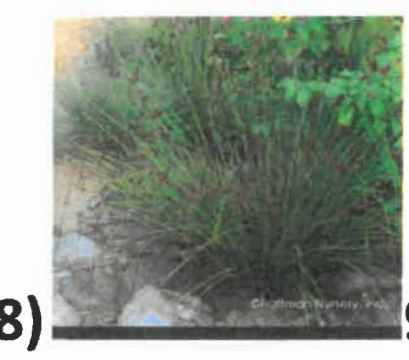
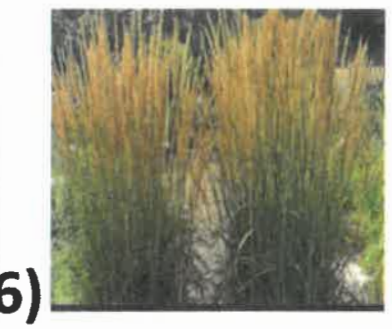
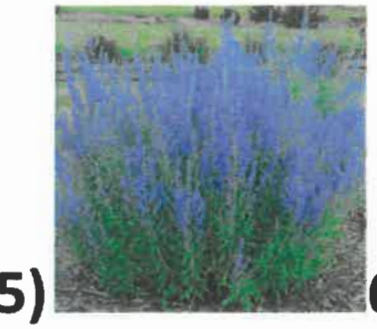
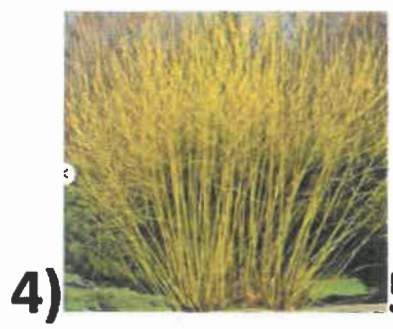
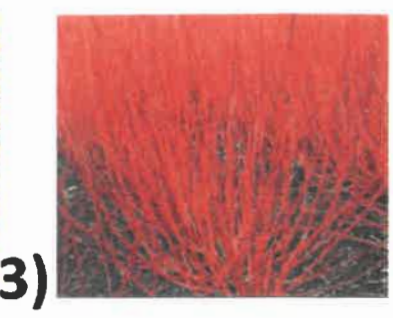
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- 1) ROSE MALLOW
- 2) BLACK EYED SUSAN
- 3) RED TWIG DOGWOOD
- 4) YELLOW TWIG DOGWOOD
- 5) SAGE
- 6) NATIVE GRASS
- 7) PLAINS COREOPSIS
- 8) SOFT RUSH
- 9) OBEDIENT PLANT
- 10) MERAMAC 'A' ROCK