From: Demian Hardman To: Holly Newman Cc: BIll Newman

Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 8:59 AM

Subject: FW: 92012 RE: Creekside Memorial Park Question: Lawn vs. Lawn Entombment area for Traditional

Lawn in the Lower Garden Area

Holly and Bill,

The below e-mail is the most recent new information I received regarding the Creekside Memorial Park Cemetery Project.

As far as the project progress, it is still unchanged.

Contact me if you have any questions.

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From: Joe Odrzywolski

Sent: Monday, July 22, 2013 5:02 PM

To: Demian Hardman

Subject: 92012 RE: Creekside Memorial Park Question: Lawn vs. Lawn Entombment area for Traditional Lawn in

the Lower Garden Area

Demian,

Per your request, we reviewed Table 7 (Todd Engineering Report) in the Appendix section of the DEIR, as well as the acreages stated in the Project Description on Page 2.0-5, and the exhibit on Page 2.0-4 (?) entitled Preliminary Project Landscaping, dated January 29, 2010. It appears that Table 7 in the Todd Engineering Report mis-represents by stating that the Cemetery "Turf" area is 9.3 acres in the Lower Gardens, and we believe that this may be the source of some confusion. This 9.3 acrea area should be referred to as "Cemetery Landscaping" instead in that report to make it consistent with the respective acreages in the DEIR and on our various exhibits and memos.

To further explain and clarify, the traditional "Cemetery Landscaping" in the Lower Gardens that is referred to in our memos and shown on our exhibits will comprise the traditional irrigated portion of the cemetery which is a total of approximately 9.3 - 9.4 acres as shown. The total "Cemetery Landscaping" will consist of two component areas, approximately 5.8 acres of

irrigated "turf" areas for the in-ground "Lawn Entombment" <u>AND</u> approximately 3.5 acres of "Ornamental Landscaping" in and around the parking lot, lake, the road system, the entry driveway, and the various buildings and mausoleums. The "Ornamental Landscaping" is differentiated from the "Lawn Entombment" areas because it will have primarily above-ground entombment and have features like pathways and sitting areas for the cemetery visitors, and be planted with shrubbery, ornamental trees, flower beds, etc., which will be on separate irrigation systems from the turf.

In addition to the "Cemetery Landscaping" areas, the Lower Gardens will also provide approximately 8 acres of xeriscaped, in-ground, entombment area as shown on the Preliminary Project Landscaping Exhibit and as stated on Page 2.0-5 of the Project Description.

We hope this clarifies these acreages for you and answers your question.

Thank you, Joe Odrzywolski P/A Design Resources, Inc. 3021 Citrus Circle, Suite 150 Walnut Creek, CA 94598 925/210-9300 phone 925/210-9303 fax joeo@padesignresources.com

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To: Joe Odrzywolski **Cc:** Jim Parsons

Subject: Creekside Memorial Park Question: Lawn vs. Lawn Entombment area for Traditional Lawn in the Lower

Garden Area

Joe,

This is a follow-up from my phone conversation with you and Jim last week regarding the amount of actual traditional lawn in the lower garden area for the project.

In looking at the project description on page 2.0-5 of the DEIR, I find that only 5.8 Acres of irrigated lawn (assume this is traditional lawn) area is proposed. However, Table 7 "Proposed Project Water Demand, AFY" in the Appendix indicates that 9.3 Acres are proposed for traditional landscaping. When reviewing the site plan in conjunction with these numbers, it looks like there is a landscaped area proposed around the lake feature that doesn't seem to suggest that this area is proposed to have Ground Entombment. I can then assume that maybe some of the remaining 3.5 acres remaining (from the 9.3) is to cover this area, however the area around the lake (Lake and Island feature proposed to cover about 0.88 Acres) does seems substantial too small to cover all of the remaining acreage to get to the 9.3 Acre figure. It is unclear on the site plan where any remaining Acres for traditional landscaping is proposed in the lower garden area.

Please provide clarification as to the amount of traditional landscaping proposed for the lower gardens area and how the 5.8 Acres of irrigated (traditional lawn) is differentiated from the remaining 3.5 Acres proposed for traditional landscaping (currently assuming that this additional landscaping area is not for ground entombment).

Contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks.

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