

Hiddenbrooke Parkway Update

A major landscaping project is underway on the Parkway. The project is contracted by the City to McGuire and Hester. They are replacing the 30-year-old irrigation system along the entire length of the Parkway. And they are making significant upgrades to the landscaping, which had suffered during drought years. The project will keep the trees in place and former landscaping where feasible, and will meet current water conservation restrictions. Lawn area will be reduced but not eliminated. The median will be planted between light poles, as will the road edges. The entrance will have decorative border walls at the fountain. The Hiddenbrooke sign will be refurbished. Vine fencing will be reinstalled near the entrance. The project is scheduled to take 120 days and it's estimated to be completed by the end of June. A few rain days will bump the completion back a few days, at most.

There are 2 or 3 trees that may be removed and replaced because of issues with roots preventing the irrigation and landscaping work or because the initial tree placement was too close to light poles. This tree work will be quite limited ("field fit") and will only be done where unavoidable. The Redwood tree directly in front of the Welcome Center is not involved in this issue; it is here to stay.

As of early May, the project is 20% completed. Work will accelerate over the next couple of months.

Drive carefully! Keep the workers out there safe.