

Sidewalk Repair and Tree Removal Update

Commissioner Smith was briefed on the January 11th meeting with the Herons' Landing Community/HOA. Based on the outcome of that briefing, Public Works is moving forward with the following:

1. Removal of all oak trees in the County's right of way, including the ones marked in yellow that represent no immediate threat to public safety, but will in the near future.
2. Given the costs for tree removal, stump grinding, sidewalk replacement, curb and gutter replacement, and sod, there will be no funding for replacement trees.
3. The County is agreeable to having our certified arborists assist the HOA/ community with a list of recommended trees and the proper placement of the trees on the lots (8ft to 12ft from existing sidewalk).
4. Tentatively, the project is scheduled to begin the 3rd week in February. You can anticipate this project taking at least three (3) to four (4) months to complete, barring any unforeseen circumstances (e.g. contractor delays, supply chain issues, inclement weather).

They believe the plan that was shared with the community and HOA members is the best path forward to ensure public safety and allow the Herons' Landing residents to once again enjoy walking through their neighborhood utilizing the sidewalks.