## **Dear Brentwood Neighbors:**

Beginning next week you will see some exciting things happening at our front entrances! The landscaping project will begin on Monday May 19th.

The landscape committee sent out more than eight Request for Quotes and received back six. The six ranged in price from \$16,730 to \$22,839. After carefully reviewing the quotes the landscape committee recommended to the board that the one for \$16,730 be selected The board then voted to approve this project.

What sets this bid apart from the rest, is that unlike the other more expensive bids, this bid included the tear out of existing plants and a much needed improved drip watering system that will properly water the new plants effectively even during the drought conditions. The others did not include this much needed improvement to the watering of the plants. Thus we were looking at additional cost to improve the irrigation to the plant beds. The contractor (Green Acres) was very keen on what it would take and was one of the only ones to ask to visit the site with a member of the committee to ensure he understood all our needs.

The board feels that these improvements to the landscaping of our entrances will enhance the appeal of our neighborhood and create an inviting environment for all to enjoy. Our existing entrances are tired and old and in almost all cases are not uniform. The seasonal color plantings do not stay healthy due to the inefficient system that is currently in place. The new plans do not call for seasonal color but for perennials that will provide color throughout the growing season and visual interest during the winter months.

The board would like to thank the landscape committee and especially Mr. Don Raver, whose tireless work in preparing the Quote requests, research, organization and consistent emails to the committee made this all possible. His dedication to our neighborhood is a true inspiration, Thank You Don!

Thank You,
The Brentwood Estates HOA Board of Directors