

## **Pueblos De Rodeo Road News**

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#### A Residential Community

May 2021

#### The Director's Corner

Hello Homeowners,

Thanks to those who took the time to attend our annual HOA Zoom Meeting, vote, and pay your dues. We appreciate the interest, feedback, and involvement by members of the Pueblos de Rodeo Road. If you have time to volunteer on one of our committees, please let us know!

#### **Maintenance Contracts**

A priority of our HOA at the request of our residents is to maintain the common areas, which includes some (not all) of the medians between the roads and sidewalks. These medians require mowing, cutting weeds, and grooming those areas. Depending on the grass and weed growth, these areas were cut once or twice a month during the warmer months. The HOA has been charged about \$4000 a year for this service. After much discussion, the Directors decided that installing gravel in some of these medians would cut down on our annual maintenance costs, and save HOA costs significantly over time.

As the work started, the Directors have been having ongoing meetings with city streets and land use staff on this maintenance project. As the city Streets and Land Use Dept. staff inspected our project it deemed portions of the Pueblos de Rodeo Road Greenbelt sidewalk that are cracked or broken are hazardous and mandated that our HOA is responsible for the cost of replacing the damaged sections. When we pushed back, they determined that adjacent residents would be charged a fee to pay all costs for the replacement of the sidewalk. Our board then decided to use our HOA funds to pay for this project. This concrete work was never intended to be part of our median project, so is an additional cost that will come out of HOA funds.

We will continue the gravel project after the sidewalk replacement sections are completed. Many sections of sidewalk were replaced the week of April 9<sup>th</sup>, and we are working with contractors to get additional bids on completing the gravel project. Thanks for your patience and understanding in upgrading our community.

-Amos Romero, Director PDRROA

#### **HOA Cybersecurity**

A few weeks ago, we learned that our HOA Gmail account was hacked. Steps were quickly taken by Terra Portillo, our contract secretary, and the Directors to make sure the HOA account was secure and could not be accessed by anyone without permission. This precipitated updates to the password and verification process.

We also consulted with Google and a cyber security company that described the incident as spoofing designed to cause havoc and not to steal data. They assured us that there is no evidence that any information was compromised or stolen. In the unlikely event that someone gains unauthorized access to the account, it only contains the names and email addresses of our members. No other personal information or data is present.

We were also alerted that some members may have received a spoofing email that appeared to come from a former HOA director. Those emails were sent by scammers who intended to have recipients send them gift cards. They had hacked the individual's email account, not the HOA account.

What is email spoofing?

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It is spam or malicious email that attempts to trick the user into thinking a message comes from a trusted person or entity when it actually comes from a different email account. You can learn more about spoofing and phishing attacks and how to protect yourself from them here:

https://www.fbi.gov/scams-andsafety/common-scams-andcrimes/spoofing-and-phishing.

Please be assured that our HOA Secretary, the Directors and Officers take the security and privacy of our members very seriously and work hard to protect it and continue to do what they can to prevent problems in the future.



Pueblos de Rodeo Road residents helping to pick up trash along the Pueblos Del de Rodeo Road Greenbelt during the Great American Cleanup Day on April 17.

Image courtesy of Keep Santa Fe Beautiful.

#### **Local Calendar**

May 1 & 2 – Free Green Waste & Tire Day at BuRRT

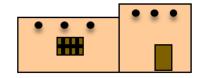
**May 15**- Community Art Closet Free Art Supplies 11am-3pm, 1600 St. Michael's Drive

May 18 – <u>Vamonos Walk</u>, Southside Library to Arroyo Chamiso Trail @ 6PM

**June 5 & 6** - Free Green Waste & Tire Day at BuRRT

June 5 – National Trails Day and National Take a Kid Hiking Day

**June 20** – Free Community Day at Botanic Gardens



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#### Neighborhood FAQ's

Q: Have HOA members paid their 2021 dues that were due on 3/27/21?

A:Unfortunately, only 190 members (of 360) have paid their 2021 dues. The Directors urge homeowners to immediately pay the \$46.75 they now owe, (\$36.75 annual dues + \$10 late fee). Properties that continue to be delinquent will face a lien being placed on the property at the Santa Fe County Clerk's Office, which will incur additional fees, and a hassle to get removed.

# Q: Who are the directors and officers of this year's Pueblos de Rodeo Road?

A: The elected Directors are Lidia Garza Morales, Amos Romero, and Clarice Coffey. At the first meeting of the new Board of Directors. Clarice was selected as President via the bylaws. The bylaws specify that a person cannot be both a Director and an Officer, so this created a Director vacancy. The Directors confirmed Terra Portillo as the contract secretary, and the new treasurer/bookkeeper (see below question). Per the bylaws the remaining directors may select a director from the homeowners, and they selected Myrriah Tomar to fill the vacant position. No one has indicated interest for the vicepresident position as of this date. If you are interested, please contact the directors! All this information will eventually be updated on the HOA website

#### Q: I missed the annual HOA Zoom meeting. Where can I find the minutes of that meeting?

A: Go to our association website, "More" tab, "Association Secretary",

scroll to the bottom. Here is the link: <a href="https://pdrroa.org/association-secretary">https://pdrroa.org/association-secretary</a>

# Q. Is there an annual 2020 spending report for our HOA? If so, where can I get a copy?

A: The 2020 HOA income and expenditures are listed on our HOA website under the "monthly ledgers" tab, https://pdrroa.org/monthlyledgers. Scroll down and you will find six files for 2020 that list the detailed information. Directax has prepared a 2020 profit/loss statement and 2020 balance sheet, which should soon be posted on our HOA website. If you have further questions, please contact the directors at pdrroa87507@gmail.com. Incidentally, the contract treasurer/bookkeeper that had recently been selected could not keep up with the HOA's business during tax season, so the directors have recently chosen Rudy Robles of Directax to do the contract bookkeeping the HOA needs. He will eventually provide 2021 monthly ledger reports. The directors are consulting with Rudy to strengthen HOA financial tracking, develop an annual budget, and a reserve fund.

# Q: I noticed some city equipment recently working in the drainage from Park Plazas to the culvert on the east Paseo de los Pueblos coming into our subdivision. What were they doing?

A: The city identified an issue with small trees and drainage interfering with the flow to the culvert. They cut out and removed the trees (nonnative elms), and re-contoured the drainage. All work was paid for and completed by the city of Santa Fe since the culvert is a City easement.

Q: What is the status of the update to the HOA Governing Documents?

A: The HOA Governing Documents Committee is continuing its work to prepare an updated draft of these documents. Look for an update on the process by email within a couple of weeks.

#### **Helpful Links**

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Fireworks in the City of Santa Fe https://www.santafenm.gov/news/detail/safety tips for fourth of july holiday

Ready, Set, Go – Your personal wildfire action plan

https://www.santafecountynm.gov/med ia/files/SantaFeRSGGuide2017.pdf Santa Fe Botanical Garden https://santafebotanicalgarden.org/hap

Nextdoor: A virtual hub for communicating and connecting with neighbors

https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/pueblosderodeoroad--santa-fe--nm/

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