# **Plantation News**



#### FALL 2020

#### ASSOCIATION NOTICE >>>

#### Pandemic Cancels Annual Meeting of Homeowners

Because of pandemic-related Health District guidelines limiting the size of gatherings, the Plantation HOA will not conduct an annual meeting in November this year.

As in previous years when a quorum has not been reached, the Board is directed to recruit, reelect, and otherwise fill all the positions of the Board to continue to carry out the work of the Association until the next Annual Meeting can be held.

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE** We continue to enhance content on our Association website. Now, you can find a list of Board members and contact information, community CC&Rs, and the latest roofing material specifications.

A reminder: Any outside project (painting, landscaping, roofing, fencing, etc.) must be submitted to the AECC Committee prior to beginning the project. See our website for a oneclick link to the AECC Committee members' email addresses.

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# Our Community Is Improving All Around

From small tree landscaping to massive re-imagining of Expo Idaho

**TREE LANDSCAPING** With roots threatening the pavement along Plantation Lane and Sterling, trees are being removed. The Board is in conversation with a local landscaping company to consider 2-3 options for replanting the

islands. If you live on or near Plantation Lane or Sterling Drive and would like to participate in the replacement planning, please contact a Board Member. Expect to see new landscaping by late Spring.

#### **GOLF COURSE REDESIGN**

The redesign is needed to accommodate improved access at the intersection at Pierce Park and State Street. Because of change in ACHD schedules for the We are fortunate to live in a dynamic place like Garden City. These updates require us to stay informed and involved. We can enjoy the benefits of growth and safeguard our home investments.

long-planned improvement, the golf course reconfiguration is now scheduled for some time in 2022.

**TDS FIBER OPTICS** Crews worked several weeks installing conduit for fiber optic cable. For the next step,

completion of installation and service to homes is contingent on meeting the minimum number of customers (30 more need to sign up). TDS Fiber promises faster speeds, more stable connections. and an alternative to service from Sparklight, Century Link, and DirecTV. Incentives to sign up expire on November 9.

**EXPO IDAHO** Read the updates on the next page.

Plantation Country Club announced a new name: *The River Club*. Reactions have been positive. Because our neighborhood has always been closely associated with the club, should we follow suit? Send an email with your thoughts (see contact information on the Association webpage).



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## A Message from Your Board President

"Someday, we will be able to look back on 2020 as a whopper of a memorable year. But we all know that still living in 2020, it feels mostly like a mess!" – Kent Johnson

A part of that is a decision by the Board to not hold an Annual Meeting of the Association this year. Certainly the business of the Association does not warrant risk of a physical gathering of the members. We also considered setting up a virtual meeting, like Zoom. However, we felt that the time and frustration of signing in participants, determining if we had a quorum, and actually conducting a virtual meeting with 50-150 people, without any significant issues to address, was not warranted.

The good news is, that a lack of our annual meeting gives us an opportunity



to share with you this colorful and informative newsletter. At last year's Annual Meeting it was suggested we could improve our communications. Several neighbors stepped forward to volunteer and are responsible for this design you are now reading. Plus, they are planning more new channels, such as a Facebook group, an email list for newsletters, and regular surveys.

Finally, we'd like to thank Mark Johnson and his bandmates on Plantation and Alina & John "Hoony" Hoonhaut on Sterling for the fun outdoor street concerts. They were truly a joy during the pandemic.

### **Opportunities for Neighbors to Connect**

Help the Idaho Transportation Dept. learn how you use Glenwood Street. Take the survey before October 31. https://itdprojects.org/projects/ glenwoodcorridor/

Our luminarias will be back this holiday season. More details in our December newsletter. Volunteer by calling 208-853-1655

Have an idea for our newsletter? Want to contribute to neighborhood communications? *Contact a Board member listed on our website.* 

Access HOA resources online at www.riversidemanagement.com/ plantation\_master\_association

Traveling away from home this winter? Plan now with neighbors or family to keep your sidewalk clear of snow and ice.

#### EXPO IDAHO >>>

Update on redevelopment framework. And how your HOA is represented.

Plantation resident and Board member Andrea Fogleman is a cochair of ACHD Expo Idaho Citizens Advisory committee for the major changes to the 240-acre property directly across the river from us. Brianna Bustos, Communications and Outreach Coordinator provided this update:

The Advisory Committee is well on its way to making recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners



and the public. In September, small groups began the brainstorming of potential scenarios, each with a specific focus. The 3 groups were -

- Agriculture and Outdoor Education
- Recreation/Event/Sports Center Complex
- Mixed Use City Center



In October, preliminary ideas were presented to the full committee as a starting point for recommendations.

The committee hopes to present their final 3-5 recommendations to commissioners by end of year, after which the County will begin a robust public input process.