## **Davenport Homeowner's Association**

July 17, 2021

## **Greetings Neighbors!**

We sincerely hope you and your family are well and that you are easing back into a 'normal' routine now that COVID seems to be releasing its grip. And the warmer weather of summer is beckoning all of us back into the great (nearly forgotten) outdoors. With all the changes occurring now, we thought it'd be a good time to make you aware of some community updates and changes too.

Firstly, the Davenport homeowners park is open again and the Board is in the process of replacing signage and cleaning up the facilities. One change regarding the area is the prohibition of vehicles traveling down the pump station drive. The pavement will no longer support the traffic and too much activity was occurring after dark (when the park was closed), so to help with both situations, vehicles will simply no longer be allowed in the area. Park visitors will also not be allowed to park along Irving - they will need to leave their vehicles at home and walk or ride bikes to the park, using ONLY the pump station road for park entrance (please respect neighbors yards and DO NOT cross them to get to the park). The Board is also accepting bids and quotes for the possible addition of a swing-set and maybe some more equipment for small kids to enjoy next season; if you have any referrals please let us know.

A big recurring complaint from lots of neighbors includes community-wide appearance and sanitation. Even our landscaper is disgusted by the (literal) mess being left by dog owners who are not picking up after their pets. If we lose the landscaper, there will be no one to keep the grass mowed and that will lead to even greater problems. To help encourage pet owners to be responsible, the Board has installed a pet relief station along Fillmore. As a reminder, City Ordinances require pets to be leashed at all times and owners to pick up after their pets. ALL of Davenport falls under these ordinances - including the common area right-of-way along Northside Drive - please be a good citizen! This is both a matter of being a considerate neighbor and a decent human being - aside from also being the law.

We would also like to announce the start of a community beautification initiative, the Yard of the Month program. Beginning July 1st, the program will award one homeowner each month during the growing season for well maintained and manicured yards as well as seasonal decoration awards in October and December. Winners will be able to display the award yard sign for their month and be included in a lottery for waived HOA dues the

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following year. The full details of the program can be found here: http://bit.ly/Davenport-YOTM.

Lastly, the Board would like to enlist the help of a Neighborhood Ambassador. This student-aged intern would perform some of the policing duties that are needed in order to keep the neighborhood looking it's best. If you know of a responsible middle- or high-school youth that would be interested in the position, they can find the details at this link: http://bit.ly/Davenport-Ambassador.

Remember our goal is to uphold property values, maintain a pleasing environment for all, and to make Davenport a Premier Community in South Granville. Thank you for your attention and help!

Sincerely,

Davenport HOA Board

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