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Letter from Maureen Owens, President

Following are current steps being taken to continue improving our islands and Ishnala entrance signs:

Signs:

- We are still haggling with IDOT for removal of trees along 127th street at 74th Avenue.
- The City and IDOT are not responsive, but I talked with Ron Jankowski today and he said the best resolution would be to write to our State Representative to plead for the remove of those trees, which are in the easement and onto part of the Gorman's property.
- That would enable us to place the sign laterally along that area.
- If we still do not have cooperation with the State, Mr. Jankowski stated the City would have no problem if we (the Ishnala residents) took them out.
- I have a great service (the Care of Trees), but have no estimate as of yet as to what it would cost the Association out of our due funds.
- However, I will proceed to haunt the State and hope the issue will at last be resolved.

Islands & Landscaping

- Secondly, spoke with Bill at SIDS with regard to the maintenance of our Islands.
- It has been suggested by some residents (myself included) that the Islands be surrounded by pavers. That would eliminate yearly costs of grass cutting, watering, etc.
- All year round plants - Evergreen, low growing plants would remain and seasonal plantings would continue.
- Also would like to see some low ground small Malibu lighting those Island.
- I also have a call into another area landscaper to get an estimate on the same.
- And Betty Body is also trying to engage landscaping from other contractors.
- When I have all proposals and design layouts, they will be presented to you.

- Today, I have no idea the costs of landscaping architecture and am waiting on SIDs for design to enable residents to see what this idea might look like.
- In the meantime, our Building Department has been diligent in re-lighting the gas mantels when called. So to all of you, I might ask if you see unlit mantels, please call Scott at building Department – 361-1804

Well, that's all folks. All of this information and any new developments will appear in our next newsletter.

Thanks,

Maureen Owens