Warren H. Manning Beautification Award Program

In response to a desire by the Pinehurst Village Council to develop an Award Program which would recognize the efforts of individuals and business owners for their contribution to the beautification of the Village, we offer the following plan.

This program has been tentatively named after "Warren H. Manning" who was instrumental in designing and planting over 200,000 trees and shrubs in the Village. A former employee of the Olmsted group, he went on to be a nationally renowned landscape architect.

The program will have two distinct parts. Each part will consist of awards for new development and remodeled projects.

Part One - Residential (SFD)

The "CAC" will amend its inspection form to include a rating of each project which falls under the Village construction permit process. All inspections completed during each calendar quarter will be reviewed by the CAC and awards issued for new and remodeled homes.

With the approval of the homeowner, the results will be announced via the "Village Newsletter" as well as local media and a sign will be placed at each location.

Since many beautification projects do not require a construction permit, the CAC will endeavor to solicit independent submissions of worthy projects by homeowners, neighbors, friends, and family. The quarterly media exposure will be designed to encourage a growing interest for participation in the project, resulting in the overall enhancement of the appearance of our community.

In the month of <u>July</u>, the CAC will review the four (4) previous quarterly winners and select an annual award winner.

Part Two - Non Residential

This part will consist of all completed non-single family dwelling projects.

During the course of the year, submissions by the Planning & Inspections Department, as well as individual submissions for appropriate non-permitted projects, will be gathered for review by the CAC and annual new construction and renovation awards will be issued in the month of July.

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- Starting about a year and a half ago the CAC looked to the newly adopted Comprehensive Plan for guidance in identifying what the upcoming course of work would be for the CAC
- Two projects came to light as part of this exercise.
- The first of which was the CAC grant program which was initiated in the fall of last year.
- The second project was the creation of an appearance award.
- Over the past year the CAC as a group discussed how to implement this awards program.
- As part of this we reviewed what other communities in the state are doing to identify attractive properties and recognize those properties for going above and beyond.
- This lead to the creation of a CAC awards program which is loosely based on other communities.
- It was decided that initially the program would be rather simple and not have too many categories.
- As the need arises the program is intended to be modified or tweaked to meet the needs
 of the community or as new ideas are brought on board. This could lead to an expansion
 of the program.
- Then came the time to discuss the name that was to be given to the program.
- After discussing several generic names such as CAC beautification award, Pinehurst Appearance Award, etc.... Someone posed the question of who was the most significant person or event that makes Pinehurst such an attractive place today.
- The consensus of the group was that this is the result of Warren H. Manning and that the community appearance award should bear his name.
- Additionally it was discussed that the majority of the Pinehurst Citizenry does not know who Warren H. Manning is or what his contributions to this Village of Pinehurst is.
- So it was decided that an emphasis of this award should also be to make the community aware of Warren H. Manning's historical contributions to the community.

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- Councilmember Strickland reported that he had attended the Matinee Races at the Harness Track on April 1st and feels the event was well done. This is another aspect of our community that needs to be marketed.

While at the races, he encountered representatives of the Harness Horse Youth Foundation who stated that they would like to establish a relationship with the Village. He requested that staff pursue this relationship as another way to market the Harness Track.

- Councilmember Cashion reported that he had shared breakfast on Friday morning with
 the Chinese delegation and also attended the dedication of the monument in Carthage on
 Saturday. He sees this as another way to enhance the Village's relationship with the
 Chinese people.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Lapins announced a public information meeting for the Pinehurst Performing Arts Center will be held on Thursday, April 19th at 6 p.m. in the Assembly Hall of Village Hall.

6. Sequencing of Village Center Enhancements/Documentation of Improvements in NHL District.

Assistant Manager Jeff Batton discussed the proposed timeline for the construction of Tufts Memorial Park with the Council. (Copy of a memo from Assistant Manager Jeff Batton dated April 5, 2012 regarding the Tufts Memorial Park timeline is in the Minute File.)

Councilmember Strickland moved that Council adopt the timeline prepared by Village staff for the construction of Tufts Memorial Park subject to Councilmember Strickland being able to review the plans with Bob Koontz of Hobbs Upchurch and Associates and Jeff Batton, so that he could get answers to some specific questions he has about the plans. Councilmember Cashion seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0.

Senior Planner Molly Goodman discussed a proposed Request for Qualifications for Historic Consultant Services and a proposed list of recipients of the document with the Council. By consensus, Council approved the document and directed staff to send it to the listed individuals. Council did not commit to the hiring of a Historic Consultant, (Copy of a draft Request for Qualifications- Historic Consultant Services is in the Minute File.)

7. Report on meeting with NCDOT Division 8 Representatives, consider request for traffic study.

The Manager discussed with the Council a meeting he and Councilmembers Cashion and Strickland had with representatives of NCDOT at the Division 8 Office concerning possible traffic circle alterations in light of the NC 211 widening project. The Manager will meet with the NCDOT officials again to determine if they would be willing to conduct a traffic study now and again after the completion of the NC 211 widening, or at least one after the completion of the NC 211 project.

8. Community Appearance Commission / Warren H. Manning Beautification Award Program.

Community Appearance Commission Chairman Patrick Barry and CAC members Bill Cambreleng and Bo Bozarth discussed the Warren H. Manning Beautification Award Program with the Council. Consensus of Council was to go forward with the program. (Copy of a summary and application for the Warren H. Manning Beautification Award Program is in the Minute File.)