

## Landscape Committee Update 3/8/2015

1. Las Flores will be installing drought tolerant plants throughout the community. The areas for planting will be prioritized as follows:
  - Planters around patios and walkways
  - Front and rear yard areas
  - Perimeter wall planters
2. Condition of grass: the grass is doing as to be expected for this time of year given the weather conditions. Mowing has been postponed due to rain. It will resume when Las Flores determines it to be dry enough for mowing (this is done to prevent clumping).
3. Overall health of grass: the rye grass is fading (when it gets hot, it dries out. This occurred during the 80 plus degree weather we had not too long ago). The grass underneath that Las Flores “scalped” is beginning to come out of dormancy. It should come out in the next few weeks.
4. Our turf consists of three different grasses:
  - Kikuyu grass (throughout entire lawn area, endemic in all of Irvine, prohibitively expensive to completely remove it, so it needs to be integrated and controlled in our landscaping)
  - Bermuda grass
  - Fescue grass (good kind)
5. WeatherTrack: While two controllers are off online due to a billing/payment issue, the system has overall been functioning well. It appears that our former management company made an error with the payments. GE should pay weathertrack to reactivate the controllers to get the full benefits of the weathertrack system.