

Jacaranda West HOA #1
Presidents Letter March 2020

Fellow association members.

We are well into the “depths of a south Florida winter”. We know its winter because Publix has firewood for sale, license plates are all different colors and our local TV weather reporters have a certain amount of glee in their voices when they talk about single digit temperatures to our north. I think we will make it through to spring. (in about 3 weeks).

Let’s talk about a few HOA items.

ARC

As we live in a Deed Restricted community, changes to the exterior of your home and property need to be approved by our Architectural Review Committee who we refer to as the ARC. If you are considering permanent changes to the structure of the home or property, it is your responsibility to follow the guidelines outlined in Article 7 of the covenants and deed restrictions. Recently the ARC has been receiving request’s wanting a quick turnaround. Again, read Article 7 for the time requirements for a request.

Trash, Recycling, and yard waste collection

In our neighborhood, refuse, recycling and yard waste are collected on Thursday unless there is a holiday on or prior to the pickup day. These items can be placed curbside the night before pickup. Recently there have been instances of yard waste being placed out on Friday and sitting on the curb for the week. This is not acceptable so please be aware of the day you place items out. Also, if you have a yard service, remind them that lawn refuse is not to be placed out prior to the night before collection day.

For large bulky items such as hot water heaters, furniture, appliances, and debris from interior renovations, the same restrictions apply. It is the homeowner’s responsibility to coordinate with our refuse collector Waste Management for a pickup day. Waste Management will not pick up bulky

items during normal collection days. Please do not leave used furniture or household goods out for “pickers”.

Our community has also received our big blue recycling bins. These seem to be an improvement from the previous two bin system as they have lids and reduce the amount of wind-blown trash. Please remember that as the bins are pickup by a claw arm on the truck, location restrictions apply. There are directions for placement on the bins.

Speed/Stop Signs

Please remember that in most areas of our community the speed limit is 20mph. Our community does not have sidewalks and we have a mix of all ages walking, riding bikes, walking dogs, jogging and doing outside activities. Please respect your neighbors and slow down when you see them. Also, Stop Signs mean to STOP. Again, this is a matter of respect for your neighbors. This applies to members, guests, and contractors. More on this later.

New Amendments.

At long last, I am happy to say that we did achieve a quorum of the eligible households in the association on the amendments to our covenants and deed restrictions. Both amendments passed with a more than 2/3rds of the vote in the affirmative. The changes to the amendments will become effective on March 15th, 2020. These will be posted on the website. Please familiarize yourself with them. I would like to thank the members of the board, our welcoming committee, the president of Woodlake, and most of importantly, all the association members who helped finalize this effort by participating in the vote.

In closing, our association needs two volunteers to serve as the welcoming committee. If you can spare 4 hours a month, please consider this as a way to participate in your association.