



What's Happening in West Grove

New HOA Board of Directors

On April 28, 2016, the members of the West Grove Estates Homeowners' Association (HOA) elected and re-elected members of the Board of Directors comprised of homeowners in West Grove Estates. The seven (7) Board members are:



Dave Vlasak
President

In West Grove Since: August 2013

Occupation: Management professional in the Oil Sands industry



Vik Dhalla
Vice President

In West Grove Since: February 2014

Occupation: Finance Professional



Karen Knutson
Treasurer

In West Grove Since: March 2015

Occupation: Revenue Manager for a Major Airline



Jacqueline Chang
Secretary

In West Grove Since: April 2015

Occupation: Finance Professional



Angela Price
Director

In West Grove Since: July 2013

Occupation: Real Estate Agent



Shannon Hendry
Director

In West Grove Since: August 2011

Occupation: Account Manager for an Oil and Gas Supply Company



James Prette
Past President

In West Grove Since: March 2014

Occupation: General Manager of an Industrial Construction Company

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Community Green Space Improvement Initiatives

- ◆ The HOA has been working with City of Calgary parks team on many different areas in the neighborhood. The initiative with the most impact has been a City of Calgary trial of park development and sustainability. As our playground park was selected as part of this trial group, the city is in the process of prepping the shrub beds surrounding the playground area and will be planting close to 600 new ornamental ground covers and shrubs. This will be a great improvement to the area, however the main goal of this trial is to provide a solution for the ongoing problem of invasive weeds in the shrub beds. The city's contribution to this effort is in excess of \$10,000 in plants and labour. HOA Board has agreed to support this effort financially to a sum yet to be determined but not exceeding our approved maintenance budget. The Board hopes that these efforts will improve our green spaces in our community .
- ◆ This summer, the HOA Board has embarked on a community beautification test initiative. Shannon and her husband Chad have put together several flower half barrels located around the neighborhood pathways to see what type of impact they will have on the community. They have done this on their own time, and the HOA Board has agreed to contribute up to \$300 in plants and materials



West Grove Estates Traffic Safety Initiative

A proposal to help reduce speeding in our community and establish designated safe routes for pedestrians has been considered by the Board and is currently being worked on in conjunction with the City of Calgary. The attached Map on Pg 4 outlines where we would like to see additional Pedestrian Cross Walks and conversion of Yield signs to Stop signs. We encourage all members to call 311 and create a request for these safety improvements.

- ◆ This will help prevent speed related accidents.
- ◆ Provide clearly marked crossings vs uncontrolled crossings that are very ambiguous and un-safe.

In addition:

- * Residents of West Grove Estates are requested to watch their speed on community streets. We have many small children in the community.
- * Residents are requested to ensure they follow the city by-laws for picking up after their dogs as well as keeping their dog on a leash at all times. Our parks require dogs to be ON-LEASH at all times.

Our Parks

The parks/green space areas of West Grove Estates include:

- ◆ The playground park
- ◆ The 10th Avenue walkway that runs from the end of 10th Avenue to 73rd Street (and is being extended from 73rd street to the end of Phase 3)
- ◆ The treed space between #66 And #90 West Grove Rise
- ◆ The ravine park on 73rd Street between West Grove Bay and West Grove Point

The Developer (Bri-Mor) turned all of the parks over to the City of Calgary before the spring of 2014, it is now the City's responsibility to maintain all of the parks of West Grove Estates. The City has also turned on the sprinkler system in the playground park for the next 2 years during the summer months.

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Current Board Priorities

As we build upon the work from the prior year we still have several ongoing priorities to work on as well as some new ones. These include but are not limited to:

- ⇒ Working with the City of Calgary to improve the level of maintenance being conducted on our parks
 - ◆ Having our Playground Park included in a City trial for sustainability
- ⇒ Continuing to foster relationship between the West Grove community HOA and the Developer and as well as surrounding community developer
- ⇒ Discussions with the Community Association and civic representatives to have pedestrian crosswalks clearly labeled and identified
- ⇒ Continue to foster good communication with the community via the HOA website and/or Facebook page and community relations via events like the Annual Neighborhood BBQ

We Want to Hear from You

The HOA exists for the members, not the Board. We want to hear from you whether or not you feel we are working on the right priorities for you.

We welcome any ideas that will promote community spirit and make West Grove Estates an even better neighborhood.

Please email us with any comments, concerns or feedback.

We would also be interested to hear from anyone who would like to help out with HOA projects. Let us know if you would be willing to help with any of the priorities listed above or if you think there are any other priorities we should be focusing on.

Contact Information:

You can contact the HOA Board with any questions or to raise any concerns about the community by:

- ◇ **Email:**
westgrovehoa@gmail.com
- ◇ **Mailing Address:**
West Grove Estates HOA
PO Box 96096 West Springs
Calgary, AB
T3H 0L3

Also - if you see any of us out in the neighborhood, feel free to stop us to discuss any matters that are on your mind.

Facebook:

While not an official HOA site, there is a "West Grove Estates Families" Facebook page, we invite you to join the page and extend your contacts within the community.

This Facebook page is a private group, if you do not know a member of this Facebook group you are invited to email the HOA and we will ensure you are added to the group.

Payment of Dues

If you haven't paid your 2016 HOA dues yet (or any previous year dues), please send a cheque or bank draft for the outstanding amount to:

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Notices will be mailed out in the fall to all members with outstanding dues.



West Grove Estates HOA suggested traffic controls



 Replace existing Yield sign with a STOP sign

 New STOP sign

 Provide for new Pedestrian Crossing signs on 10th Avenue walkways across 73rd and 77th streets

 Regional pathway community beautification locations sponsored by West Grove Estates HOA.