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Regnart Creek Trail Privacy Fence FAQ

Below is a list of frequently asked questions regarding privacy fence options along the Regnart Creek Trail..

1. OPTION

Will the City allow the homeowner to change their mind about their selection after the August 21 date?

In order for all information to be incorporated into the construction documents, the City needs to know fence choices by August 21. This is necessary for the project to stay on schedule and within budget, and for contractors to be able to provide accurate and representative bid prices. For homeowners requesting a precast concrete wall, a Private Fence Reimbursement Agreement will not be required to be signed until October, when the project is anticipated to be advertised for bid.

2. COST

What is the City's total budget for the fence for the fencing?

The total budget for fencing improvements is \$765,000.

How much money is being allocated for the different sections of the trail?

The City is allocating \$150 per linear foot for properties bordering the trail. The balance is being distributed among the remaining properties.

I'm interested in the concrete wall option. How much will it cost?

The City received a preliminary quote of \$300 to \$320 per linear foot. Since the City will pay \$150 per linear foot, residents should expect to pay a minimum of \$150 to a maximum of \$170 per linear foot depending on the final quote.

The cost for the wall option seems high based on our personal experience. Why is that?

City governments must abide by numerous local and state labor laws and rules. This includes prevailing wage requirements and insurance costs, as example This raises the cost significantly compared to personal home projects.

Can residents build the fence using their own contractors and then request that the City reimbursing them?

Unfortunately, no. Since public funds are involved either way, the City is required to follow all local and state laws as noted above.

3. LOCATION

Where will the fences be located? Will a survey be done?

New fences would replace existing fences along property lines. A survey will not be conducted.

Will all fences be removed together, or one at a time?

The City will likely remove and replace fencing for a limited number of properties at a time. The City will provide temporary fencing if it is necessary.

I have trees along my property and want to be sure they won't be damaged. How will the City protect my trees?

City staff, including the City Arborist, will review each property with the contractor to ensure that all private property, including trees, is protected. Accommodations in the design will be made to ensure that trees with roots extending close to or beyond the fence line remain viable.

Does the City have the responsibility to check the quality of the contractor work?

Yes, the City will inspect and approve all work.

4. MATERIALS, SPECIFICATIONS AND FEATURES

For the precast fence option, what would be the width of the base of the fence and the width of the fence?

The specific wall(s) to be used have not been selected yet. The City expect posts to be approximately six inches square and walls to be approximately three inches thick, with an 18" diameter foundation.

What is the height of the precast concrete wall?

The precast wall will be eight feet tall.

What are the specifications of the composite fence?

The composite fence consists of interlocking panels composed of a UV-resistant PVC with an acoustical mineral wool filler to attenuate sound. Panels are 2.7 inches thick.

In some options, the fencing is quite light in color; in others, darker. Is that due to the color of the wood or a stain color?

The photos are general representations of the types of fencing available. Color will be natural western red cedar without staining.

In option 3, is the lattice on top of a seven-foot fence?

A lattice can be placed on top of either a six-foot or seven-foot fence.

In our existing fence, we have a latched door that can be opened. Will the City also replace it when the whole fence is replaced?

No. Gates or doors in existing fences will not be replaced with a new fence, per Valley Water policy.

What are the dimensions for the double wood fences with MLV?

These will be approximately the same width as a standard wood fence.

Will residents have a chance to review samples of the composite fence or MLV?

Yes. Samples can be viewed by appointment with City staff.