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# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEAL BEACH MUTUAL FIVE September 20, 2017

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors of Seal Beach Mutual Five was called to order by President Coven on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in Building Five, Conference Room B, followed by the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: President Coven, Vice President Van Wyk, CFO Tran, and

Directors Cude, and Powell

Absent: Secretary Boryta, Director Deady

GRF Representative: Mr. Gould

Guests: Nine shareholders of Mutual Five

Staff: Ms. Hopkins, Mutual Administration Director

Mr. Alvarez, Building Inspector Mrs. Aguino Recording Secretary

#### **MINUTES**

President Coven asked if there were any corrections to the August 15, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes. There being none, the minutes were approved by acclamation.

### SHAREHOLDERS' COMMENTS

One shareholder made a comments.

#### **BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

Inspector Alvarez presented his report (attached).

Following questions, Inspector Alvarez left at 9:10 a.m.

# **GRF REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**

GRF Representative Gould presented his report on the GRF activity (attached).

# CORRESPONDENCE

President Coven received several pieces of correspondence.

# **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

CFO Tran presented her financial report (attached).

# **COMMITTEES**

In Director Deady's absence, her report was presented by Advisory Director Walters (attached).

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Following a discussion, and upon a MOTION duly made by Director Cude and seconded by Director Powell, it was

RESOLVED, To ratify rescinded/posted Policy 7304 – Financing Capital Projects.

The MOTION passed.

Following a discussion, and upon a MOTION duly made by CFO Tran and seconded by Director Powell, it was

RESOLVED, To ratify rescinded/posted Policy 7305 – Depreciation – Straight Line Method.

The MOTION passed.

Following a discussion, and upon a MOTION duly made by Director Powell and seconded by CFO Tran, it was

RESOLVED, To ratify rescinded/posted Policy 7170 – <u>Parcel Representation</u>.

The MOTION passed.

Following a discussion, and upon a MOTION duly made by Vice President Van Wyk and seconded by CFO Tran, it was

RESOLVED, To ratify amended/posted Policy 7210 – <u>Annual Elections</u>.

The MOTION passed.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS (continued)**

Following a discussion, and upon a MOTION duly made by Vice President Van Wyk and seconded by Director Powell, it was

RESOLVED, To ratify amended/posted Policy 7020.05 – <u>Approval of Escrows</u>.

The MOTION passed.

Following a discussion, and upon a MOTION duly made by CFO Tran and seconded by Vice President Van Wyk, it was

RESOLVED, To ratify amended/posted Policy 7510.05 – Eligibility Requirements.

The MOTION passed.

President Coven called a break from 10:11 a.m. to 10:26 a.m.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Director Cude reviewed the roofing plan for the years 2017 to 2023 (attached).

Dr. Coven updated the Board on the Landscape Specifications. Landscape bids are being submitted and will be reviewed once they all have been received.

Following a discussion, and upon a MOTION duly made by President Coven and seconded by CFO Tran, it was

RESOLVED, That Mutual Five will permit LA Seismic to place the nodes in Mutual Five common areas.

The MOTION passed with four "yes" votes (Coven, Van Wyk, Tran, Cude,) and one "no" vote (Powell).

# **MUTUAL ADMINISTRATION DIRECTOR**

Mutual Administration Director Hopkins updated the Board on Mutual Administration activity. In addition, she also spoke about coyote safety within the Mutuals (attached).

# **DIRECTOR'S COMMENT**

Several Directors made comments.

# **SHAREHOLDERS' COMMENTS**

One shareholder made a comment.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, President Coven adjourned the meeting at 11:04 a.m. and stated an Executive Session would follow to discuss member issues.

Attest, Betty Coven, President SEAL BEACH MUTUAL FIVE

ka: 9/21/17 Attachments

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: October 18, 2017, 9:00 a.m. BUILDING FIVE, CONFERENCE ROOM B

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MUTUAL FIVE

# RESOLUTIONS IN THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING SEPTEMBER 20, 2017

09/20/17 RESOLVED, To ratify rescinded/posted Policy 7304 – <u>Financing Capital</u> Projects.

RESOLVED, To ratify rescinded/posted Policy 7305 – <u>Depreciation – Straight Line Method</u>.

RESOLVED, To ratify rescinded/posted Policy 7170 – <u>Parcel Representation</u>.

RESOLVED, To ratify amended/posted Policy 7210 – Annual Elections.

RESOLVED, To ratify amended/posted Policy 7020.05 – <u>Approval of Escrows</u>.

RESOLVED, To ratify amended/posted Policy 7510.05 – <u>Eligibility Requirements</u>.

RESOLVED, That Mutual Five will permit LA Seismic to place the nodes in Mutual Five common areas.

# **INSPECTOR MONTHLY MUTUAL REPORT**

MUTUAL (05) Five

**INSPECTOR: BRUNO ALVAREZ** 

MUTUAL BOARD MEETING DATE:

SEPTEMBER 20,17

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UNIT#	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	GRF/CIT Y	PERMIT ISSUE	COMP. DATE	CHANGE ORDER	RECENT INSPECTION	CONTRACTOR / COMMENT
69-E	BATHROOM REMODEL	вотн	04/20/17	09/30/17	NO	08/17/17 FINAL	ALPHA MASTER
69-G	CARPORT CABINET	GRF	06/13/17	07/20/17	NO	NONE	HANDYMAN
69-H	FLOORING	GRF	09/01/17	10/10/17	NO	NONE	CORNERSTONE FLOORS
72-D	HEAT PUMP	вотн	08/22/17	09/30/17	NO	09/01/17 FINAL	ALPINE
72-K	HEAT PUMP	вотн	07/12/17	08/22/17	NO	NONE	ALPINE
90-I	INSTALL TILE	GRF	05/30/17	07/20/17	NO	NONE	BERGKVIST
90-I	LIGHT FIXTURE	GRF	05/30/17	07/20/17	NO	NONE	BERGKVIST
91-L	KITCHEN REMODEL	вотн	08/22/17	02/09/18	NO	NONE	BERGKVIST
91-L	WASHER AND DRYER	вотн	08/22/17	011/24/17	NO	NONE	BERGKVIST
92-L	INSTALL TILE	GRF	06/28/17	09/20/18	NO	NONE	LW DÉCOR
93-H	WALKWAY	GRF	08/15/17	09/30/17	NO	NONE	LOS AL BLDRS
93-H	INSTALL CARPORT CABINET	GR	08/20/17	09/20/17	NO	NONE	HANDYMAN
94-A	KITCHEN REMODEL	вотн	08/25/17	10/25/17	NO	NONE	LW DÉCOR
94-F	EZ ACCESS TUB	вотн	08/03/17	09/03/17	NO	09/01/17 FINAL	NUKOTE
96-H	HVAC	вотн	06/12/17	09/30/17	NO	NONE	GREENWOOD
97-H	HEAT PUMP	вотн	08/21/17	12/07/17	NO	NONE	GREENWOOD
100-l	HEAT PUMP	вотн	08/09/17	10/12/17	NO	NONE	GREENWOOD
107-K	AC	вотн	05/30/17	08/30/17	NO	NONE	GREENWOOD
108-G	HVAC	вотн	08/14/17	09/14/17	NO	FINAL 8/28/17	ALPINE
108-K	KITCHEN REMODEL	вотн	07/28/17	10/16/17	NO	NONE	GREAT WEST CONSTRUCT.
109-F	KITCHEN REMODEL	вотн	04/27/17	08/10/17	NO	FINAL 09/11/17	MAMUSCIA CONST.
110-A	REMODEL	вотн	08/28/17	12/04/17	NO	NONE	TOM JEAN CONSTRUCTION
110-D	REMODEL	вотн	09/11/17	12/18/17	NO	NONE	ROBERTS CONSTRUCTION
110-D	LOWER CARTPORT STORAGE	GRF	07/14/17	08/20/17	NO	NONE	HANDYMAN
113-I	REMODEL	вотн	06/28/17	11/30/17	NO	NONE	LW DÉCOR
113-G	EZ ACCESS TUB	вотн	08/24/17	10/18/17	NO	NONE	NUKOTE
116-C	WASHER AND DRYER	вотн	07/28/17	09/08/17	NO	NONE	JC KRESS
118-I	HVAC	вотн	08/23/17	11/23/17	NO	NONE	GREENWOOD
123-I	REMODEL	вотн	06/13/17	11/13/17	NO	08/17/17 ROUGH.	LOS AL BLDRS
123-J	HEAT PUMP	вотн	06/12/17	09/30/17	NO	08/16/17 FINAL	GREENWOOD
124-G	HVAC	вотн	09/08/17	12/20/17	NO	NONE	GREENWOOD

#### SHADED AREAS HAVE BEEN SIGNED OFF

UNIT#	ESCROW ACTIVITY										
9926	NMI	PLI	NBO	FI	FCOEI	ROF	DOCUMENTS/COMMENTS				
72-D		07/10/17	07/17/17	07/25/17	08/08/17	08/29/17					
93-E		06/15/17	07/05/17	07/06/17	07/20/17	08/25/17					
95-L		06/15/17	08/28/17	09/05/17	09/19/17						
97-C		07/10/17									
99-J											
100-A		08/23/17									
100-D			05/08/17	05/16/17	0526/17	08/29/17					

106-L	06/15/17					
109-F	05/05/17					
110-F	08/23/17					
113-C	03/30/17	06/06/17	06/14/17		08/21/17	
113-F	07/10/17					
116-C	05/31/17	06/19/17	06/21/17			
121-F	08/18/17	08/29/17	08/31/17	09/15/17		
123-B	08/07/17					
124-F	09/01/17					

### SHADED AREAS HAVE BEEN SIGNED OFF

NMI = New Member Inspection PLI = Pre-Listing Inspection NBO = New Buyer Orientation FI = Final Inspection FCOEI = Final COE Inspection ROF = Release of Funds

# CONTRACTS

# Wayne R. Gould GRF Director Mutual 5

# SEPTEMBER REPORT

GRF is very busy with end of summer projects. The clubhouse renovation project is well underway but taking a bit longer than expected. We expected to be able to keep the upstairs open while the floors on the ground floor were refinished. Due to the many coats of finish on the floors sanding them was more difficult than expected. The dust was so great that it would have been dangerous to those working out. The exterior painting is well underway.

The four signal posts at Golden Rain and St. Andrews have been replaced. Other signage has been or is being brought up to city code.

Our computer update project is well underway with minimal service interruption. The servers were maxed at full capacity and when this project is completed they will be at less than 20% capacity.

At this time the LW Trailer Club is suspended for failing to submit requested financial information. If it is provided they could be reinstated.

The new MSRAH Committee, (Management Services Review Ad Hoc) has had its first meeting to look at what services GRF offers to the Mutuals and its shareholders.

Landscaping is well underway around the Globe with a lot more to do. Trees are going in and all the old sod and turf have been removed. Our front gateway is going to be beautiful.

Respectfully Submitted Wayne R. Gould

MUTUAL 5 PRESIDENT'S REPORT August 16, 2017

We are right in the middle of our biennial Fire and Safety inspections. At the same time, we are gathering information that will help us maintain our buildings. The Fire Inspectors will be sending letters detailing anything that you will need to correct.

As a preventive maintenance measure, Mutual 5 asked the inspectors to change the batteries in the water heater alarms. Sometimes they had to write it up so Service Maintenance will come and do it. This may take a while. The batteries are still good, it's just that we want them all to last for the next two year until the next inspection.

The new Website Committee met for the first time and reviewed the Mutual 5 website. The first order of business was to clean it up of old information. If you have any thoughts on what you might like to see on the site, let me know.

As a member of the GRF subcommittee on renumbering all of the mutual policies (the 7000 series). This Ad Hoc committee was carried over from last year and is again at work. We are making good progress and look forward to making it much easier to find a policy.

We are going out to bid for a new three year Landscape contract which will probably take a couple of months to complete.

Respectfully submitted, Betty Coven, Ph.D. President, Mutual 5

# Urban Coyotes



Recent Coyote activity gives reason for reminding our Shareholders of important safeguards to protect lives and property against these wild animals. Although we have had no reports of incident, the sightings are a good reminder to review Coyote basic and Coyote hazing.

Minimizing coyote conflicts is most effective when we all work together.

# 1.) How can I make my patio less attractive to coyotes?

Hazing efforts and deterrents will be more effective on coyotes if coyote attractants are removed or excluded from your patios. We encourage the following:

- Never feed coyotes! Report anyone that is feeding coyotes.
- Remove all food and water sources from your patio. This may include pet bowls, birdfeeders, fallen fruit, barbecue grills, and trash.
- All trash should be contained in proper trash containers and stored indoors with secure lids.
- Keep cats indoors.
- Pets should be supervised when outside and never be left unattended.
- Avoid feeding birds. Coyotes will eat the birdseed as well as the birds and rodents attracted by the feeder.

2.) How do I haze coyotes out of my yard/away from me?

Scare/haze coyotes out of your yard or away from you if they approach too closely.

- If you are approached by a coyote, do not run or turn your back on it. Be as big and loud as possible.
- Wave your arms and yell in an authoritative voice.
- Turn on sprinklers or spray coyotes with a garden hose.
- Bang pots and pans together.
- Shake or throw a Coyote Shaker, which is a soda can filled with pennies or pebbles and sealed with duct tape.

# 3.) How can I protect my pets from coyotes?

- NEVER leave your pet unattended.
- Leash pets with a 6 foot leash while walking them.
- Keep cats indoors.
- If you see a coyote, bring your pet in as close to you as possible and follow hazing techniques note above

# Long Beach Animal Care Services

(<a href="http://www.longbeach.gov/acs/wildlife/living\_with\_urban\_coyote.asp">http://www.longbeach.gov/acs/wildlife/living\_with\_urban\_coyote.asp</a>) recommends calling them at (562) 570-7387(PETS) to report all Coyote sightings and determine if an Animal Control Officer is needed. Sightings can also be reported online using the link below.

If the coyote is posing an imminent threat to life, call 911.

# **MUTUAL 5 – FINANCIAL REPORT**

# 20 September 2017

Our Mutual 's Finance Committee that included President Betty Coven, Director Ken Cude, shareholder Steven Schneider and myself just completed the budget of fiscal year 2017-2018 at the end of August. It will be presented to the Board in October.

Thank you for the hard work of Betty, Ken, Steven and the assistance of GRF Director of Finance Ms. Carolyn Miller.

As shown in the balance sheet of August 31, 2017, our cash in bank and unrestricted deposit is approximately \$87,000; total restricted deposits and investments are about three million dollars; our liabilities are roughly about \$427,000 including the reserved money for project commitments of \$134,000; excess income is about \$363,000. Please note that this amount is carried over from previous fiscal year of \$356,000 and current year of \$7,000.

Our mutual also pay to GRF \$123,000 for August that consists of monthly assessment fee, service maintenance, water charge of \$8,400, property and liability insurance, pass-thru cable charge for 492 units of 41 buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Tran-CFO

P.O. Box 2069 Seal Beach CA 90740

Aug Actual	Aug Budget		2017 Y-T-D Actual	2017 Y-T-D Budget	
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119,085	119.084	Carrying Charges	050.677	050.070	
40,334	40,334	Reserve Funding	952,677	952,672	
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159,419	159,418	Total Regular Assessments	1,275,351	1,275,344	
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3,524	0 1,668	Service Income	0	0	
3,073		Financial Income	24,595	13,344	
3,073	2,145	Other Income	28,785	17,160	
6,597	3,813	Total Other Income	53,381	30,504	
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166,016	163,231	Total Mutual Income	1,328,732	1,305,848	
71,188	71,188	GRF Trust Maintenance Fee	569,504	569,504	
14,025	11,651	Utilities	88,828	93,208	
800	1,024	Professional Fees	4,785	8,192	
166	39	Office Supplies	239	312	
35,173	29,083	Outside Services	220.554	232,664	
11,885	9,914	Taxes & Insurance	94,212	79,312	
40,334	40,334	Contributions to Reserves	322,673		
		Commoditions to Modelives	322,073	322,672	
173,571	163,233	Total Expenses Before Off-Budget	1,300,796	1,305,864	
(7,555)	(2)	Excess Inc/(Exp) Before Off-Budget	27.000	//*	
(1,000)	(2)	Excess inc/(Exp) before On-Budget	27,936	(16)	
3,021	0	Depreciation Expense	20,752	0	
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(10,577)	(2)	Excess Inc/(Exp) After Off-Budget	7,184	(16)	
		Restricted Reserves		¥	
4,092	0	Appliance Reserve Equity	42,408	0	
4,602	0	Painting Reserve	214,372	Ö	
0	0	Contingency Operating Equity	50,706	0	
3,827	0	Roofing Reserve	2,260,269	0	
(611)	0	Emergency Reserve Equity	116,875	0	
19,175	0	Infrastructure Reserve	251,883	0	
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31,086	0	Total Restricted Reserves	2,936,513	0	

# Mutual 5 Landscape Report September 2017 Board Meeting



The Landscape Hotline continues to be popular! We received about 12 calls last week. The call recording comes to the Landscape Director as an email attachment. Our procedure is to note the calls in a book, then forward the email call recording directly to the manager of our landscape company. Another manager sends a spreadsheet recap periodically to show what was done in regards to these requests.

Some of the calls are related to mowing. They are supposed to use the mowers with baggers when mowing in front of the apartments. This way there is less mess. They don't always use the mower with bagger, and when they miss a week, like they did in late August, the grass is so long that it makes a mess. We have relayed this concern to Joe Andre, our manager.

Some of the calls are related to specific trimming or gardening requests in shareholder flower beds. There is confusion as to who is responsible for some of the tasks in the flower beds. According to policy 7425.5 we are responsible for these things, in relation to the flower beds in front of our homes:

- Watering
- Fixing the irrigation system in our own flower beds, if we have them
- Taking out or planting new plants
- Planting plants that are not on the Prohibited Plant list

The landscape crew trims and weeds all flower beds on a rotating basis.

<u>See the policy for complete information.</u> Go to lwsb.com. Click Mutuals, then Mutual 5, then policies. Scroll down to 7425.5.

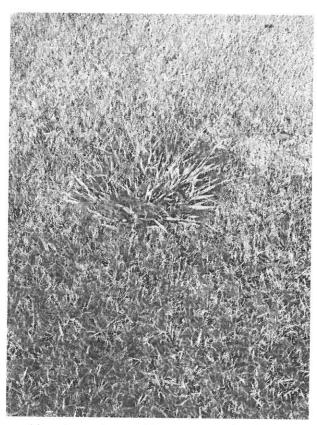
Andre Landscaping will begin spraying weed killer when the temperature is below 75 degrees. Once they begin spraying, there will be areas of dead weeds and grass. We ask residents to NOT call the Landscape Hotline to report areas of dead grass. Thank you!



# FALL has arrived!

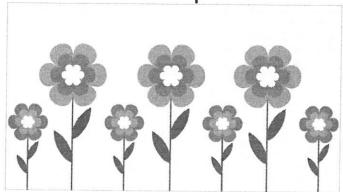


Our landscape company will soon begin spraying weeds like this one. Expect brown spots on the grass. No need to call the Landscape Hotline for this reason.



If you need to call the hotline with landscape problems, you can find it on the Mutual 5 Home page of lwsb.com. It is also posted in your laundry room. (562) 804-5525. Thank you! Your Mutual 5 Landscape Director.

Flower bed responsibilities



We shareholders are responsible for these things in relation to the flower beds adjacent our homes:

- Watering
- Fixing the irrigation system in our own flower beds, if we have them
- Taking out or planting new plants
- Planting plants that are on the approved plant list
- You may trim and weed your flower beds if you prefer to do it yourself.

The landscape crew trims and weeds all flower beds on a rotating basis. They trim so that it is easier for the mower to pass by. They also trim plants that reach the roof. Shareholders can ask them to trim certain flower bed plants when they are trimming plants in our particular building. We may also call the Landscape Hotline at (562) 804-5525 to request specific trimming. The crew prefers to speak to the resident about the request before trimming, so if the resident is not at home, they will generally wait.

If your flower beds need removal or replacement of plants or irrigation system service, you may call the landscape company of your choice. LW Weekly has a few landscapers in the Classified section under *Gardening Services*.

	Building		Last Re-	25 YRS	Roof	Pitch	Bed	rooms	Laundry		1
	Code	Bldg.	Kooted	Old In	High	Low	1	7 2	Rm	ReRoof Year	
1	1 BR LP	90	1990	2015		Х	X			2017	
2	2 BR LP LR	91	1990	2015		Х		X	Х	2017	
3	1 BR LP	93	1990	2015		Х	Х			2017	•
4	1 BR LP	94	1990	2015		Χ	Х			2017	
5	2 BR LP	95	1990	2015		Х		X		2017	
6	1 BR LP	98	1990	2015		Χ	Χ			2017	
7	2 BR LP	103	1990	2015		Х		X		2017	
8	2 BR LP	114	1990	2015		Х		X		2017	
9	2 BR LP	121	1990	2015		Χ		X		2017	9
10		113	1991	2016		Х		Х		2018	
11	1 BR LP	115	1991	2016		Х	Х			2018	
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13	2 BR LP	118	1991	2016		Х		Х		2018	
14	1 BR LP	119	1991	2016		X	Χ			2018	
15	1 BR LP	120	1991	2016		Х	Χ			2018	6
16	2 BR LP	69	1992	2017		Х		Х		2019	
17	2 BR LP	70	1992	2017		Х		X		2019	
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19	2 BR LP	96	1992	2017		Х	11,	X		2019	
20	1 BR LP	99	1992	2017		X	Χ			2019	
21	2 BR LP	100	1992	2017		X		Х		2019	
22	2 BR LP	101	1992	2017		X		X		2019	
23	2 BR LP LR	102	1992	2017		X		Х	Х	2019	
24	2 BR LP	105	1992	2017		X		Х		2019	9
25	2 BR LP	106	1992	2017		X		Х		2020	
26	2BR LP	108	1992	2017		Х		X		2020	
27	2 BR LP	109	1992	2017		X		Х		2020	
28	2 BR LP	110	1992	2017		X		Х		2020	
29	2 BR LP	111	1992	2017		X		X		2020	
30	1 BR LP LR	123	1992	2017		X	Χ		Х	2020	
31	2 BR LP	124	1992	2017		X		X		2020	
32	1 BR LP	125	1992	2017		X	Χ		4	2020	
33	1 BR LP	126	1992	2017		X	Х			2020	9
34	2 BR HP LR	97	1995	2020	X			Х	Х	2021	
35	2 BR HP LR	117	1995	2020	X			X	Х	2021	
36		72	1996	2021	X		X		· ·	2021	
37	2 BR HP	92	1996	2021	X			X		2021	
38	2 BR HP LR	107	1996	2021	X			X	Х	2021	5
39	1 BR HP LR	104	1997	2022	Х		Х		Х	2022	
40	2 BR HP LR	112	1997	2022	X			X	Х	2022	
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Code Key Buildings with: 8 | 33 | 14 | 27 | 9

1 BR LP | Bedroom Units and Low Pitch Roofs (Corners 2 Bedeooms)

1 BR LP LR | I Bedroom Units and Low Pitch Roofs and Laundry Rooms (Corners 2 Bedrooms)

**1 BR HP** I Bedroom Units and High Pitch Roofs (Corners 2 Bedeooms)

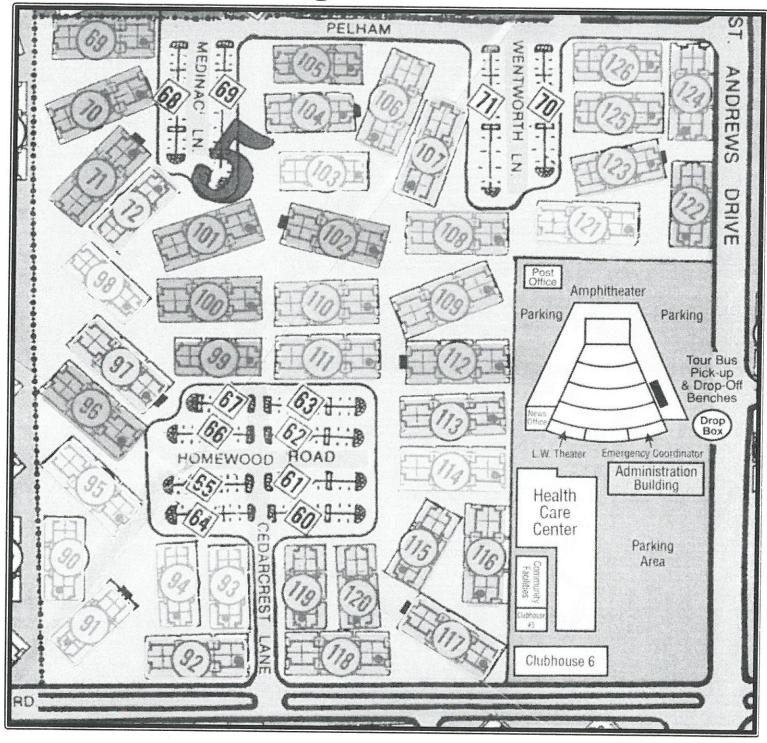
1 BR HP LR | I Bedroom Units and High Pitch Roofs and Laundry Rooms (Corners 2 Bedrooms)

**2 BR LP** 2 Bedroom Units and Low Pitch Roofs

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2 BR HP LR 2 Bedroom Units and High Pitch Roofs and Laundry Rooms

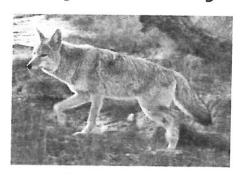
# M-5 Roofing Plan 2017-2023



492 Apartmnets, 41 Buildings, 9 Launtry Facilities, 12 Carports, 492 Carport Parking Spaces

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
9	6	9	9	5	3

# Mutual Administration Director's Report SEPTEMBER 2017 Coyote Safety



Coyotes in populated areas are typically less fearful of people. They have been known to attack pets and approach people too closely.

Coyotes are skilled hunters; we must be strong, motivated, and most importantly, **proactive**.

But what does being proactive mean?

- We must continue to haze the coyote. Do not turn your back and run. By running you are seen as prey.
- We must not feed wildlife. Bird feeders on your property will attract rats, squirrels, and rabbits which will attract coyotes to your home.
- We must keep food and trash off our patios.
- We must protect our pets.

Small pets can easily become coyote prey. Cats and small dogs **should never be allowed outside alone.** It's highly recommended that small pets always be accompanied by their owner and dogs must be on a 6 foot leash. Do not use a retractable leash. Your pet can get too far away from you with a retractable leash. One may want to see their dog scamper around on a long retractable leash, but that is only placing the pet in harm's way and is a violation of policy.

Long Beach Animal Care Services recommends calling them at (562) 570-7387 (PETS) to report all coyote sightings and to determine if an Animal Control Officer is needed. Sightings can also be reported online using the link below:

(http://www.longbeach.gov/acs/wildlife/living with urban coyote.asp)

IF A COYOTE IS POSING AN IMMINENT THREAT TO LIFE, CALL 911.