



## Orange County Cemetery District – Memorandum

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DATE: February 4, 2025  
TO: Board of Trustees  
FROM: Tim Deutsch, General Manager  
SUBJECT: Capital Projects – Status Report and Fixed Asset Accounts

### **Gypsum Canyon Cemetery Development**

- January 2<sup>nd</sup> – Met with Development Team & County Staff - ongoing discussions on next steps, litigation and discussions with CalVet
- January 8<sup>th</sup> – Participated in a virtual meeting hosted by Assemblymember Quirk-Silva, that included key members from City of Anaheim, County of Orange and Development Team
- January 16<sup>th</sup> – Met with Development Team, County Staff & CalVet staff - ongoing discussions on next steps, litigation and status of CalVet funding.
- January 21<sup>st</sup> – Met with District flag team at site to lower and remove the flag. Due to high winds, four of the seven flag loops were damaged, so we took the flag down to preserve the main line and flag from further damage.
- January 22<sup>nd</sup> – CSDA hosted virtual meeting with staffers from Representative Lou Correa’s office – Was able to update his office on status of development, lawsuit and current state of district services for the constituents in his district
- January 23<sup>rd</sup> – CSDA hosted virtual meeting with staffers from Assemblymember Avelino Valencia’s office – Was able to update his office on status of development, lawsuit and current state of district services for the constituents in his district
- January 23<sup>rd</sup> – Met with Larry Ryan (RJM) and Carl Taylor (HZ) to discuss water utility options to discuss with development team and the City of Anaheim
- January 29<sup>th</sup> – Flag maintenance company came to the site to perform repairs to the main line, loops and connectors that secure the flag on the pole.
- January 29<sup>th</sup> – OC Parks held Ranger drivers training on property to training new hires.
- January 30<sup>th</sup> – OCFA held line cutting and hose laying wildland training on the property
- January 30<sup>th</sup> – Met with Development Team, County Staff & CalVet staff - ongoing discussions on next steps, litigation and status of CalVet funding.
- January 30<sup>th</sup> – Virtually met with CalVet representatives to discuss status of federal funding, reviewed alternative development ideas, and discussed next steps

### **Cemetery Improvements**

#### *Anaheim Cemetery*

##### Groundwater Well

- Working with Fain Well & Drilling to begin the removal of the well head and shaft

#### *Santa Ana Cemetery*

##### New Space Development

- Road 1 has been opened and first sales and interment took place on January 17<sup>th</sup>. See attached pictures of new section and service set-up

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- Road 2 has been graded and leveled. Staff is preparing lot pins used to layout the interment spaces. Should be open for sale mid-February
- Road 3 needs to be graded, leveled and have pins laid out.
- Contractor hired to prepare and pour concrete curbs at all three new burial areas

*El Toro Memorial Park*

Niche Additions

- Niches are currently in production. and waiting for granite to be sourced and shipped.
- Expected to receive niches and granite during week of February 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Work to begin on February 24<sup>th</sup>, which will take 3-4 days to complete

Wrought Iron Fence & Niche Repairs/Painting

- Niche Garden – Angel of Hope Area/ Back Entrance – wrought iron repairs and painting completed along with granite repairs to niches.

Curb and section marking location

- Red curbs painted all throughout the cemetery to prevent road blockages and potential minor accidents with passing cars – completed.
- Section break markings were painted in all areas of the cemetery to provide visitors with an idea of where each section/area is located throughout the grounds – completed.

**Structures and Improvements**

Project Types	Approved Budget	Approved Contracts	Paid to Date	Retention Held	Contract Balance	Budget Balance
Gypsum Canyon Cemetery Development Consulting Services/Purchases	\$800,000	\$350,000	\$257,751	\$0	\$92,249	\$450,000
Cemetery Improvements	\$400,000	\$303,200	\$98,802	\$0	\$204,398	\$96,800
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$1,200,000</b>	<b>\$653,200</b>	<b>\$356,553</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$296,647</b>	<b>\$546,800</b>

**Equipment**

Equipment Type	Location	Budget	Ordered	Received	Cost
Utility Vehicle	ET	\$48,000	Yes	Yes	\$47,228
Utility Vehicle	SA	\$49,300	Yes	No	\$48,804
Mower	SA	\$40,000	Yes	Yes	\$38,355
Misc Equipment	All	<u>\$60,000</u>	Yes	No	<u>\$19,354</u>
<b>TOTALS:</b>	N/A	<b>\$197,300</b>	N/A	N/A	<b>\$153,741</b>