

Pelican Bay Services Division
2013 Fiscal Year Budget Comments

I still believe that the most significant item that needs to be addressed to maintain property values in our community is to repave Pelican Bay Blvd. This main artery is particularly worn at the Gulf Park Drive intersection and near the Phil.

Other than that item, I am largely in agreement with Keith Dallas' comments that were included as part of the January 4 Board Meeting packet. The few areas where I disagree with Keith are:

- I'm not convinced that the cobbles at the new crosswalks really improve safety. However, to be conservative, I would include their cost in our budget.
- To provide a consistent appearance throughout our community, I would either brick in the crosswalk at Crayton Road or eliminate it. I suggest that we take a count of actual pedestrian crossings at this point to determine whether a crosswalk is warranted.
- Although I think that we should budget for further landscape revisions, I'm not totally "sold" on what we've done. This is because a lot of what has been planted hasn't bloomed yet and I don't know enough about plants to envision how things will look afterwards. I defer to the wisdom of our Landscape Committee on this issue.

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