

Guidelines for Memorials and Donations For the Common Areas of Bay Crossing

All proposed common area memorials and/or donations must be submitted to the Grounds Committee in a written request including type of memorial or donation, size, and location desired. Application forms are available on the community website. The application will be discussed at the next scheduled Grounds Committee meeting, or via email review, or in as timely a manner as possible.

Memorial and/or donated trees, shrubs and perennials must be planted by a professional. The type of tree/plant must comply with Bay Crossing approved tree or planting list, and the location approved by the Grounds Committee. In the event the planting dies within the first year, it will be at the requester/donator's expense to remove the dead planting, and if desired, replace it with another one (also to be done by a professional). Memorial markers, if desired, for a tree or planting must be no larger than 5x6 inches.

If a bench is requested, it must be the same type and size as the existing benches. Specifications can be obtained from the Grounds Committee. It also must be constructed with an approved concrete platform to which it is permanently affixed, and placed within a minimum of 2-4 feet away from any walkway. Pavers leading to the bench must be firmly secured to maintain a safe and even surface. The pavers must be sunk to the ground level to provide easy access and a flat, safe surface for the lawn and landscape workers. A small 3x5 inches memorial plaque may be mounted on the bench with name and dates if desired. There will be no flags, flowers, or other types of memorial decorations permitted.

The placement of benches around the large pond will be limited to the open side of the pond, so as not to encroach upon a homeowner's lot or line of sight. Benches might also be considered for other common areas, such as some of the medians, tennis court, or bocce court areas.

There is no cost to apply for a memorial or donation. However the applicant is responsible for consequential costs involving location and marking of or any subsequent damage to, irrigation lines and underground utility lines. Details can be found on the application.