

MEMORANDUM

Community Services Department Engineering Division

To: Development Community

From: Peter Weiss, City Engineer

Date: November 10, 1997

Subject: **CERTIFICATION, CHECKLIST, AND GUARANTEE FOR CONTRACTUAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES**

The City Council has recently approved the City of Oceanside Development Streamlining Initiatives. One of the initiatives is to reduce the City's inspection of private landscape improvements and reduce the inspection fee accordingly.

In order to implement this initiative, the City will rely on the Landscape Architect of Record to certify the landscaping improvements compliance with the approved landscape plans.

The Licensed Landscape Architect of Record will be required to submit a letter to the City of Oceanside, Engineering Division stating:

"I have observed/inspected the construction of the landscaping and irrigation systems. I hereby certify that the landscape and irrigation have been constructed in accordance with the approved landscape plans, and all applicable City requirements and standard construction practices."

A field observations/inspections checklist for irrigation and landscape is attached. The checklist should be used by the Landscape Architect of Record to verify compliance with the approved landscape plans, specifications, City of Oceanside Standards, and acceptable landscape construction practices.

All observation/inspection work shall be performed and landscape certificate submitted to the Engineering Division, Landscape Section, prior to the occupancy of any residential unit or non-residential phase.

In addition, the developer/owner will be required to sign the plans (see attached guarantee) indicating that a contractual agreement for construction observations-inspections has been awarded to the Landscape Architect of Record. The guarantee for contractual architectural services shall be signed on the title sheet prior to the final approval of the landscape drawings.