

NATURESCAPE. Site Update – May 6, 2014

This week the sub-committee visited three more potential sites for the Naturescape project. Two had good potential.

#### **WOODLAND LIBRARY**

There is an undeveloped lot on the south side of the library of approx. ¼ acre. It has several mature trees on the back and side boundaries and a few perimeter shrubs and a substantial mound (35' X 20' X 4' high) that could be incorporated into a plan. The mound runs parallel to the front site line and would provide some sight and noise abatement.

Advantages of the site are: proximity to the library and Montclair school, accessibility, parking, water, restrooms (during library hours), and fair natural ambience. A disadvantage is location – it is not in North Los Altos which is one of our priorities.

#### **HERITAGE OAKS**

The undeveloped orchard area is approx. ½ acre, flat, triangular shaped, with one side bordering Permanete Creek. There are a number of walnut trees and shrubs and smaller trees along the creek side.

Advantages of the site are: existing city parkland, accessibility, parking, restrooms, and natural ambience. A disadvantage is its central city location – it also is not in North Los Altos which is one of our priorities.

#### **FREMONT /GRANT LOTS**

These two diagonally sited lots, each approx ¼ acre, are bisected by two busy thoroughfares. There are numerous deciduous trees scattered on each lot.

The advantage of this site is that the land is LA city owned. The disadvantages are: lack of accessibility, parking, natural ambience, and location.