

Mr. & Mrs. Goodclient
55 Ithaca Drive
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Requests: Replace damaged/diseased plants; revitalize the plantings for greater curb appeal; fix old wood bed edge; address culvert pipe area; correctively prune tree in back yard; possible ideas for screen in back and/or additional low maintenance plantings; screen utility boxes in corner of front yard.

Site Analysis: Most plants need replaced, some can be relocated. Timber edge on planting bed is not necessary, unless desired for aesthetics; sidewalk has settled creating uneven walking surface, some half steps may create tripping hazard. Timber frame near mail boxes is not necessary, unless desired for aesthetics. If plantings are desired at the mail box, the timber edge can be removed and low-maintenance plants/landscape boulders can add interest to this area. Maple tree needs mulch ring.

Recommendations of Master Plan:

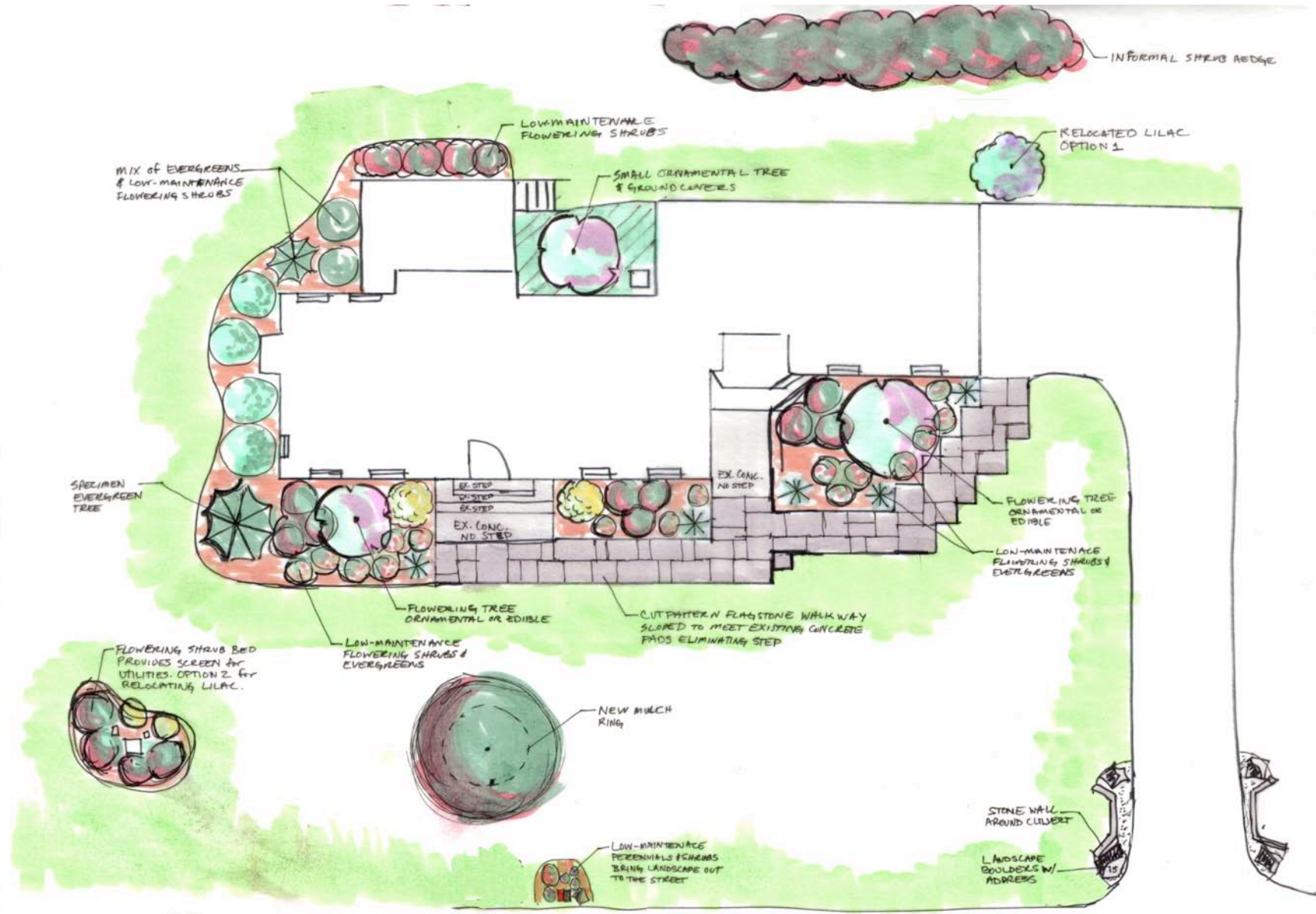
Option 1—Full Design: *Phase 1*--Remove all damaged plants as discussed; remove timber edge; remove old concrete sidewalk and replace with cut pattern flagstone walkway; stone wall around the culvert with a landscape address boulder; mulch ring around maple, planting bed to disguise utility boxes, and around mail boxes; plantings along the front of the house as per plan; *Phase 2*--plantings along the side and back of the house as per plan; fill sink-hole in back yard and re-seed; create informal shrub screen in back yard.

Option 2—Minimal: *Phase 1*--Remove all damaged plants as discussed; remove timber edge; create timber wall around culvert, no landscape boulders; plantings along the front of the house as per plan; mulch ring around maple, planting bed to disguise utility boxes, and around mail boxes; *Phase 2*--plantings along the side and back of the house as per plan; fill sink-hole in back yard and re-seed; create informal shrub screen in back yard.

Description of Full Design Master Plan (see next page):

This design brings depth, texture, and color to the house. The stone culvert wall and address boulder create a clean and substantial entrance (plantings can also be added here if desired), the planting beds around the mail box and utility boxes create additional interest and give the landscape more presence at the road. The flagstone path is pulled away from the house an additional 4 feet to allow for more planting area and create a more welcoming approach to the front door. Two flowering trees (ornamental or edible) provide scale and are accented by plantings of low-maintenance flowering shrubs and evergreens, for all season interest. A medium to large evergreen at the corner of the house anchors the design and provides a soft transition to the more informal side and back of house. The plantings around the side and back consist of more informal shrubs that provide edible fruits, and evergreens, and can also be used to create a screen/hedge in the back yard. A small ornamental tree near the deck provides fragrant flowers, and helps to create a more intimate landscape in the back.

Plan View



Conceptual View



Flagstone Sidewalk Detail



Partial Plant Pallet



Top Row: Ninebark, Virginia Sweetspire (inset in fall color), Spirea, Blue Star Juniper, Bridal wreath spirea

Bottom Row: Juneberry, Weeping Cherry (dwarf), Pear, Blue Spruce, Weeping Cypress

