

## MINUTES

City of San Diego  
Municipal Golf Committee (MGC)  
November 17, 2016

### Meeting held at:

Public Utilities Metropolitan Operations  
Complex (MOC II Building)  
9192 Topaz Way  
San Diego, CA 92123

### Mailing address is:

Torrey Pines Administration Building  
11480 N. Torrey Pines Road  
La Jolla, CA 92037

### ATTENDANCE:

#### Members Present

Doris Cronkhite  
Kurt Carlson  
Ann Dynes  
Michael Zucchet  
Paul Spiegelman  
Chris Wahl  
Marc Sorensen

#### Members Absent

Megan Mahoney  
David Korty  
Susan Casagrande  
(BP Men's GC Seat, vacant)

#### Staff Present

John Howard

### CALL TO ORDER

Michael Zucchet called meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

### APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 MINUTES

A motion was made by Marc Sorenson and seconded by Kurt Carlson to approve the minutes.

Motion:                    **MOVED / SECONDED**                    **MR. SORENSON / MR. CARLSON**

The vote was unanimous.

### CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

None.

### STAFF REPORT

John Howard reported that the fall renovations to all of the golf courses have been completed. Mr. Howard explained that the renovations for the courses were challenging with old equipment, however, a bid for new equipment was passed by the City Council for a 12-year lease. He stated that a whole new fleet will be coming in before the Farmers, this January, and new equipment will be introduced every four (4) years. Mr. Howard also explained that this will change operations to use preventative maintenance rather than reactive towards maintaining the course equipment, which will lead to savings in costs.

Mr. Howard also reported that Balboa has been doing well in the last few months, and rounds have been increasing since adding the pro shop to golf operations.

Mr. Howard reported that Mission Bay has a Publics Work project underway that is installing a new sewer line under the golf course, which has caused some traffic issues, but has not been of much impact at this time.

### **COMMITTEE COMMENT**

None.

### **NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

John Early expressed concerns regarding the agreement between the Men's club and Hilton that is expiring this year, including who is considered CITY, if it can be introduced as an agenda item, and what the new deal would entail.

Michael Zucchet responded to Mr. Early by clarifying that the Mayor and the Council would be considered as the City, the agreement could possibly be an agenda item, and Mr. Zucchet was not certain what the new deal with the hotel would be.

### **ACTION ITEM**

#### **101. North Course Update**

John Howard reported that the North Course was recently reopened. He stated that moving forward, there will be a limited amount of time that the public will be able to use the course. Leading up to the Farmers, the course will be open 8am-noon, closed on Wednesdays, and no twilight, in order to protect the health and sensitivity of the course. Mr. Howard stated that all of the tee colors would be changed, in order to improve the pace of play. Mr. Howard also mentioned that the par 74 has been changed to a par 72 for everyone.

#### **102. De Anza Revitalization Plan**

John Howard gave an update on the De Anza Revitalization Plan, presenting three (3) different options that were given at the meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November. The first option provided a driving range, similar to Topgolf, but was not received very well at the meeting. The other options included expanded areas that would improve the area of the golf course.

Other members of the committee expressed that the meetings went well, with a high amount of community feedback, and the designers did a great job with their presentations. The benefits of partnering with the Audubon was also brought up again by Ann Dynes, to possibly work with the course to help promote sustainability of the environment and bring in extra marketing. Ms. Dynes also expressed the usefulness of option number one (1), for the golf course to help with drainage in the area.

A motion was made by Michael Zucchet and seconded by Marc Sorenson to create a follow up letter supporting the process of keeping golf within the scope of the De Anza Revitalization Plan.

Motion: **MOVED / SECONDED MR. ZUCCHET/ MR. SORENSON**

The vote was unanimous, with Chris Wahl abstaining from the vote.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **201. Mission Bay Clubhouse Improvement Project (Moser Drew Architects)**

John Howard introduced Shannon Stokes, who is part of Golf's capital improvement team, to explain the history and plans of the project. A draft presentation update was made to the committee to explain and show visual site plans of the project.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM

Next Regular Meeting: **Thursday January 19, 2017 6:00 P.M.  
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