

City of San Diego

City of San Diego Park and Recreation Department Golf Division

Mission Bay Golf Course Review and Recommendations

Business Plan Update Committee Meeting November 3, 2011



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Facility Review

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Summary



Rounds of Golf





Competitive Analysis

Primary Competition

- Lomas Santa Fe Golf Course
- Oaks North Golf Course
- Tecolote Canyon Golf Course
- Sail Ho Golf Course

Competitive Analysis Competitors: Marketing & Advertising



Mission Bay Golf Course

- Print Advertising
- On-Line Tee Times
- Social Networks
- Email Blasts
- Interactive Websites
- Hotel Relationships
- Events

EXECUTIVE COLF COURSE

\$2450

Green Fee / Green Fee

MON-THURS Anytime

FRIDAY Before Sam

858,755.019



Competitive Analysis - Rate Structure

Weekday Prices	Non-Resident			Resident				Non-Resident Senior				Resident Senior				Junior				
	18		9		18		9		18		9		18		9		18		9	
Mission Bay Golf Course	\$	29.00	\$	17.00	\$	24.00	Ş	14.00	\$	29.00	\$	17.00	\$	17.00	Ş	10.00	\$	20.00	\$	12.00
Tecolote Canyon Golf Course	\$	19.50							\$	18.00							\$	16.00		
Oaks North Golf Course	\$	31.00	\$	19.00					\$	31.00	\$	19.00					\$	19.00	\$	13.00
Lomas Santa Fe Golf Course	\$	19.50															\$	18.00		
Sail Ho Golf Course			\$	13.00			\$	12.00			\$	10.00							\$	10.00

Weekend Prices		Non-Resident				Resident				Non-Resident Senior				Resider	nt Senior	Junior		
		18		9		18		9		18		9		18	9	18	9	
Mission Bay Golf Course	\$	36.00	\$	22.00	\$	30.00	\$	18.00										
Tecolote Canyon Golf Course	\$	25.00							\$	23.00								
Oaks North Golf Course	\$	35.00	\$	20.00														
Lomas Santa Fe Golf Course	\$	28.00							\$	26.00						\$26 / \$18		
Sail Ho Golf Course			\$	15.00			\$	14.00			\$	14.00				\$ 14.00		



Facility Review Infrastructure/Course

- Mission Bay Golf Course was constructed in 1955
- A new course routing completed in the mid 1960's
- Has been very well used and valued by the public
- The city took over golf operations in November of 2003
- The majority of the key infrastructure elements no longer meet the needs and expectations of our customers.

Facility Review Infrastructure / Course : Recommendations

- Improve course infrastructure: Clubhouse, irrigation, electrical service, drainage, etc.
- Investigate the value of night golf
- Improve and lengthen the driving range
- Expand the practice area

Facility Review Marketing & Advertising

At the present time we do not have a marketing/advertising budget nor a dedicated staff member to proactively market our facility. Our website is informational only and does not allow for reservations or yield management capabilities.

Generally, we have not participated in any of the marketing or advertising mediums that our competition is currently utilizing .

- Print Advertising
- Social Networks
- Interactive Websites

- Hotel Relationships
- On-Line Tee Time Capabilities
- Email Blasts

Marketing & Advertising – Recommendations

To maximize opportunities, changes at both the facility and division level are recommended:

Mission Bay:

- Identify course demographics
- Utilize local newspapers
- Establish club play
- Partnering with local organizations on tournaments
- Expand teaching program (juniors)

Golf Division:

- Create a Marketing position
- Utilize our customer database
- Develop an interactive website
- Explore yield management
- Proactively solicit tournament play
- Develop strategic alliances



Customer Satisfaction Survey

The recent survey showed we're doing well in the following areas:

- Condition of the golf carts
- Availability and condition of driving range facilities
- Pace of play
- Availability and quality of golf instructors

* Data taken from page 27 of the Customer Satisfaction Survey



Customer Satisfaction Survey

There were several areas where we need improvement:

Desire Changes

- Reduced fees, costs in general
- Improve course conditions
- Improve green Conditions
- Improve facility maintenance

* Data taken from page 22 of the Customer Survey

Rating Aspects

- Availability and condition of restrooms
- Quality of pro shop
- Quality of food and beverage services
- Layout of course

* Data taken from page 27 of the Customer Survey



Customer Satisfaction Survey – Recommendations

- Create a capital program to address capital needs
- Continue to improve course conditions
- Restructure fees



Rate Structure

As discussed last meeting, staff has proposed that resident golf fees should be established considering the rates within the local market place, operational costs at each facility and long-term sustainability of the Enterprise Fund.

While the green fee is a key component of the overall value of the golf experience, other considerations should evaluated when determining how Mission Bay GC compares to the competition.

In an attempt to provide the best possible value we are proposing a number of potential rate changes.



Rate Structure Recommendations

- Evaluate expanding Senior rates to the weekend
- Investigate the potential for a "preferred player" program
- Consider the elimination of the tiered rate structure
- Expand Junior rates to include weekend play as well as a new (12 & under) junior rate
- Establish replay rates
- Examine resident rates and consider minor reductions



Mission Bay Golf Course is a great place to grow the game of golf. Juniors, beginners and seniors should be at the forefront of our customers base. With a plan for capital improvements, new tools to better market the course, continued improvements in course conditions, Mission Bay will provide a quality value for our customers.

