

### City of San Diego Park and Recreation Department Golf Division

### Business Plan Update Draft Recommendations Continued Discussions

#### Business Plan Update Committee Meeting February 9, 2012

# **Outline of Review**

- Staff Review of Update Process
- Staff Review of Discussion Items
  - Rounds and Revenues
  - Local Golf Market Trends
  - County Card at Torrey Pines
  - Non-Resident Rates at Balboa
  - Flexibility to Adjust Rates
  - Loyal Patron Programs
  - Marketing Plan
- Public Comments
- Committee Round Table



#### Staff Review of Update Process

#### Previous Steps

- Seven public meetings
- Discussed all key areas of the Updated Plan
- ✓ Workshop meeting December 15, 2011
- Tonight's objective
  - Revisit key issues that have been discussed with Committee

#### Next Steps

- Committee Meetings
- Park and Recreation Board
- Natural Resources and Culture Committee
- 🗸 City Council

### **Discussion Items**

#### Rounds & Revenues Year-to-Date July to December

Golf Rounds	Balboa Park GC	Mission Bay GC	Torrey Pines GC	Total
FY 11	42,946	21,646	64,516	129,108
FY 12	42,991	22,795	69,738	135,524
Difference	45	1,149	5,222	6,416
Difference %	0.1%	5.3%	8.1%	5.0%

Green Fees Revenue	Balboa Park GC	Mission Bay GC	Torrey Pines GC	Total
FY 11	\$999,600	\$679,000	\$5,416,000	\$7,094,600
FY 12	\$965,100	\$696,900	\$5,960,000	\$7,622,000
Difference	\$(34,500)	\$17,900	\$544,000	\$527,400
Difference %	-3.5%	2.6%	10.0%	7.4%

### **Discussion Items**

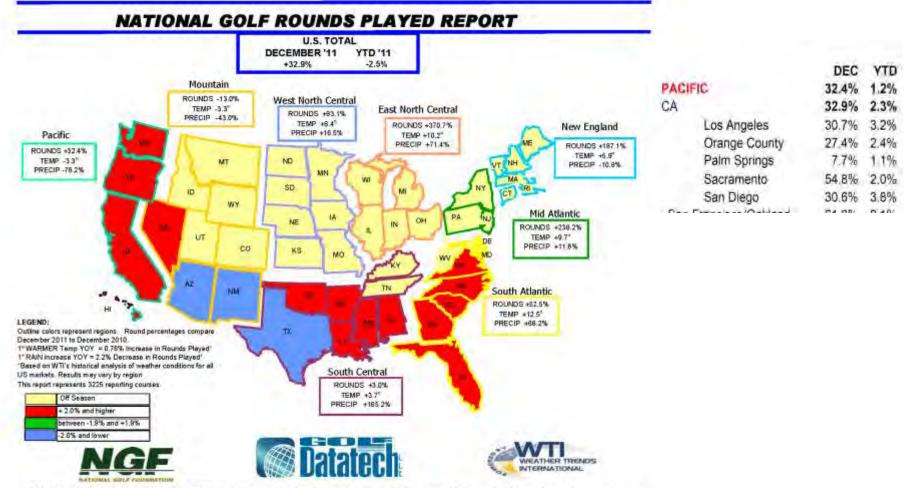
 Rounds and Revenues Balboa Park Golf Course October 17, 2011 to January 31, 2012

Golf Rounds				
FY 11	18,721			
FY 12	23,155			
Difference	4,434			
Difference %	23.7%			

Green Fees Revenue			
FY 11	\$454,000		
FY 12	\$557,000		
Difference	\$103,000		
Difference %	22.7%		



#### **Local Golf Market Trends**



PGA PerformanceTrak in cooperation with NGCOA, the joint financial benchmarking initiative of the PGA of America and the National Golf Course Owners Association, supports the National Rounds Played Report by supplying data included in this report.



- County Card at Torrey Pines
  - Based on projected rounds for FY 2012, the targeted number of total rounds for the Torrey Pines Golf Complex will be very close to being achieved: Projected: 139,475 Target: 146,400
    - Staff is concerned that the creation of an unlimited access county card would undermine the current golf experience such as pace of play and negatively impact both residential access to the courses & course conditions
    - Possible alternatives could include:
      - the creation of an E-Mail Club targeting slow times and offering reduced rates
      - implementing a Frequent Player Program

- Non-Resident Rates at Balboa
  - Potential financial impact of the elimination of nonresident rates at Balboa:
    - ✓ \$112,500 reduction in revenue (based on FY 2011 rounds)
    - We would need to increase play by over 5300 round to offset the lost revenue (based on FY 2011 rounds and rates)
  - Eliminating the Non-Resident rate could significantly reduce our overall flexibility:
    - $\checkmark$  to offer promotions, specials and package type programs
    - $\checkmark$  to maximize yield management and advertising opportunities
    - and minimize our ability to control capacity issues during prime time thus impacting the Residential patrons



#### Flexibility to Adjust Rates

Staff has begun to review options to create the ability to adjust rates via promotions or specials. In order to have this flexibility the City Council my need to create or amend new and/or existing policies.



- Loyal Patron Programs
  - Periodic Golf Outings (Invitation Only)
    - Non-competitive golf outings for the most frequent golfers at the facility of our choice
    - City sponsored prizes and tee bags
    - Targeted markets
    - ✓ No reduced green fees or discounts
  - E-Mail Club
    - ✓ Offer periodic specials/programs to targeted markets
    - Maximization of yield management opportunities
    - Monthly "SD Municipal Golf Updates"
      - Inform of maintenance schedules, upcoming events, etc
      - Promotion of the Men's and Lady's Clubs
      - Dispense lessee information

## **Discussion Items**

#### Marketing Plan

- Strategic Planning
- Strategic Partnerships
- Familiarization (FAM) Tours
- Direct Communication with Patrons
- Public Relations
- Advertising
- Collateral Materials
- Website
- Social Media
- Yield Management



- Staff review of next steps
  - Committee Meeting March 1, 2012
  - Committee Meeting March 22, 2012 (review Draft Document)
  - Committee Meeting April 5, 2012 (advisory recommendation)
  - April 19, 2012 Park and Recreation Board (advisory recommendation)
  - Natural Resources and Culture Committee (recommendation to City Council)
  - City Council Review and Adoption