

**ALAMEDA GOLF COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Downing called the special meeting to order at approximately 643 p.m. via teleconference

ROLL CALL

Present: (Via teleconference) Chair Ed Downing, Vice Chair Claire Loud, and Commissioner Robert Lattimore

Absent: Commissioner Kaiwin Su Commissioner John Kim

Staff: (Via teleconference) Recreation and Parks Director Amy Wooldridge,

Also Present: None

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of September 13, 2022, were approved unanimously

3 ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

4 COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Vice Chair Loud shared that there had been a lot of work along the Harbor Bay Parkway regarding cleaning and trimming the overgrown trees. Chair Downing stated that the fence on the driving range has been repaired

5 WRITTEN/ORAL REPORTS

5-A Beautification Program and Junior Golf Club

Chair Downing relayed from Connie Wendling that Dave Mann had a meeting with the junior golf club board and they were informed that their participants could play the courses with no green fees, but wasn't sure if that included the Mif, and Vice Chair Loud will look into it. Also, they work with the juniors for access to the driving range, the practice area and the Mif that they need. They have talked to Brad Marek, one of the instructors and he is willing to provide a free clinic on they days that they are out there. Also, they are hoping to move from

Tuesdays back to Wednesdays. Vice Chair Loud added that per Connie Wendling, due to their fundraiser, they were able to increase their scholarship funding to \$1300 for a four-year college student and \$500 for a junior college student.

7 OLD BUSINESS

7-A Facility and Renovation Report by Greenway Golf

Chair Downing asked if there was a Greenway representative present and Ms. Wooldridge stated there was not and Chair Downing asked if Greenway had been notified that this is a violation of their lease and Ms. Wooldridge stated that they had been issued a notice of violation

Chair Downing stated that he had some concerns that he would like to be presented to Greenway. He then asked Ms. Wooldridge if the questions and concerns that had been brought up at the last meeting had been presented to Greenway, and if so, had there been any response from Greenway. Ms. Wooldridge responded that she believed she sent them, will check her email, but has not received a response.

Commissioner Robert Lattimore entered at this point

Chair Downing expressed his concern about receiving responses from Greenway regarding their questions and concerns in lieu of their attendance at the meeting and how this can be accomplished. Ms. Wooldridge stated that she would look back at the previous meeting. Chair Downing asked if Ms. Wooldridge would be willing to forward the questions and concerns to Greenway for a response.

Ms. Wooldridge stated she was looking back at the minutes from the previous meeting to make sure she was following up with what information they were asking about, and it was determined that the cart situation had been responded to. The next concern was about the resident rates, and it was determined that the resident rates they were discussing was for the service clubs only, and that all service clubs had been notified, but Chair Downing would still like a response from Greenway.

Ms. Wooldridge stated that the resident rates, which don't apply to the service clubs, will not change until they are heard by the golf commission and provides recommendation, so will not change until after the January meeting.

Chair Downing shared his appreciation for the driving range fence repair and the junior golf club decisions. His concern is with the carts, as some of the seats are ripped, there is no GPS, and there is no backing up warning sound and feels that this is a safety issue.

Also, why no cash accepted is still in place. Also, cart paths on the north course are a safety issue, drop offs from the paths are significant, especially when it rains.

Commissioner Lattimore asked about the \$1200.00 range membership that had been discontinued which had been brought up at a previous meeting and it was stated that

reinstatement would be discussed at a later date and has not been mentioned whether it will be coming back or not.

7-B Jim's on the Course Restaurant Report

Tom Geanekos reported the roof has been replaced by at a cost of \$20,00. Five TV's have been replaced inside. Business has been well, and beverage cart is being run to the best of their ability. The men's bathroom will be updated before the summer and courtyard upgrades will be made. New patio furniture will be obtained in the coming months.

Chair Downing asked if Mr. Geanekos could comment on the ADA lawsuit and Mr. Geanekos stated that they are in the middle of negotiations right now and basically stated that it just keeps dragging on.

7-C Recreation and Parks Director Report

Ms. Wooldridge stated that Greenway has provided a revised construction schedule for completion of the North Course including the back nine holes and all cart paths. Greenway stated that this schedule may be impacted with numerous factors outside their control including Covid-19 related supply change issues, economic uncertainty and uncertainties created by ongoing litigation. Based on these factors, Greenway may be making adjustments to this schedule from time to time, as is deemed reasonably necessary, will keep the City apprised of schedule adjustments as needed. The construction schedule that they provided as of August 29, 2022. The construction start date for the back nine would be the earliest this quarter 2022 or as late as quarter 2 2023 which is the spring with the back nine completion date would be spring 2024. The north course cart path start date would be quarter 2 2023, with the completion of all the north cart paths to be quarter 2 2024

Chair Downing asked about updated information on the fire tower and Ms Wooldridge stated Greenway was working directly with Andrew Thomas, head of the planning department and Mr. Thomas gave Greenway a deadline of November 15, 2022, to incorporate the revisions requested.

8. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA – January 9, 2023

**Facility and Renovation Report by Greenway Golf
Jim's on the Course Restaurant Report
Recreation and Parks Director Report**

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:16 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting was posted seven days in advance in compliance with the Alameda Sunshine Ordinance, which also complies with the 72-hour requirement of the Brown Act.