

A G E N D A   R E P O R T

DATE January 22, 2008

ITEM Resolution 9726 Golf Fees

INITIATED BY Park & Recreation Department & Golf Advisory Board

ACTION REQUESTED Set Public Hearing on Resolution 9726

PREPARED & PRESENTED BY Martin Basta, Park & Recreation Director

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the City Commission set a public hearing on Resolution 9726 Golf Fees on February 5, 2008.

**MOTION:**

“I move the City Commission set a public hearing on Resolution 9726 Golf Fees on February 5, 2008.”

**SYNOPSIS:**

The City Commission is asked to conduct a public hearing on Resolution 9726 to hear comments regarding the attached proposed rates. Resolution 9726 would repeal Resolution 9545 and set fees for the 2008 golf season.

City staff’s recommendations are based on the Golf Advisory Board’s recommendation made at the Monday, January 7, 2008 Board Meeting. An open invitation to attend the Golf Advisory Board Meeting was extended to men’s and women’s golf league players from Eagle Falls and Anaconda Hills golf courses.

Approximately 40 golfers attended the Board Meeting. Staff presented a financial trend and analysis PowerPoint presentation prior to accepting public comments from the audience and final Golf Advisory Board recommendation.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City golf courses are currently operating at a deficit. In addition, there is not enough revenue being generated to meet bond covenants. Both of these factors are very serious and could jeopardize the future of the City run courses. These funds have been monitored closely, expenses have been controlled, and modest fee increases have been implemented.

Staff presented a financial report as well as statistical data to the Golf Advisory Board on October 22, 2008 **2007** for their consideration. A week later on October 29, 2008, **2007** the Board reconvened to discuss possible remedies to the golf courses’ deficit. At this meeting, the Board made a motion to recommend to the City Commission a user fee consisting of \$1 for 9 holes and \$2 for 18 holes, for all season passes, excluding junior passes. Additionally the board recommended an increase in greens fees of \$1 for 18 holes at both courses. Staff has estimated the proposed increases will

generate approximately \$56,600 in user fee revenue and \$7,400 in greens fee revenue for a total revenue increase of \$64,000. A final meeting of the Golf Advisory Board Golf, including public comment, was scheduled for January 7, 2008. Following a staff presentation and receiving public comments, the Golf Advisory Board reconfirmed and approved their motion for fee increases as approved at their October 29, 2007 Board Meeting. The Park and Recreation Advisory Board approved the proposed fee increases at their January 14, 2008 Board Meeting.