

City of Albuquerque
Municipal Golf Advisory Board
Agenda
16, June 2022, 3:00-4:30 pm
Arroyo Del Oso Banquet Room

1. Meeting is called to order and roll taken (3:00-3:01)
2. Introductions (3:02-3:03)
3. Review of minute (last meeting April 21, 2022) (3:04-3:05)
4. Public Comments (3:06-3:10)
5. Golf Management reports and updates (3:11-3:30)
 - a. Personnel updates
 - b. Rounds and Revenue Report
 - c. Current Projects
6. Concessionaires Comments (3:31-3:35)
7. Advisory Board Comments (3:36-4:00)
8. Old Business (4:01-4:20)
 - a. Rates – 9 hole/Senior
 - b. Senior /Youth Representatives
 - c. Women's City Championship
9. New Business (4:21-4:25)
10. Next Meeting- July 22, 2022 Ladera

Note: All items that need to be voted on can be brought to attention during your report and will be placed on the next meeting's agenda Under the New Mexico Open Meeting Act (NMOMA) there can be no discussion or vote on items not on agenda.

Municipal Golf Advisory Board Minutes
Meeting Held 5/19/2022
Location: Los Altos Banquet Room

In attendance			
Denise Foor	ADO Women's	Dave Salas	COA, Golf Management
	ADO Men's	Henry Rodarte	COA, Golf Management
Dan Turnham	Los Altos Men's	Melissa DeHerrera	COA, Golf Management
	Los Altos Women's		
Cris Grover	Ladera Women's		
Tommy Borst	Ladera Men's		
	PDS Women's		
	PDS Men's	Gary Lutz	Public
	Youth Golfers		
	Senior Golfers		
Deb Thrall	At Large		
Tony Hidalgo	PDS Concessionaire		
Colby Reddoch	Los Altos Concessionaire		
	Ladera Concessionaire		
Tony Hildago	Arroyo Del Oso Concessionaire		

Meeting was called to order at 3:00pm by Deb Thrall

Introductions

Deb Thrall opened the Golf Advisory Board (GAB) meeting dialogue. We went around having self-introductions of everyone in attendance which included : Board Members and City Staff.

Minutes

Minutes were reviewed from the last meeting. In the minutes for 03/17/2022, Regine Dubay comments did not make sense and will be revisited and revised. No changes therefore minutes are accepted.

Public Comments

Gary Lutz: Nothing to report, said Los Altos looks good and has no issues.

Golf Management Reports and Updates

Personnel Updates

Dave Salas reported:

M14 Los Altos Supervisor: Vacant /Job Description under review
Utility Repairer Ladera: Reposted due to low applicants
Utility Repairer PDS: Reposted due to low applicants
Park Maintenance Worker ADO, LD and LA reposted, candidates took other jobs.

Dave stated the future projects are:

Capital Outlay – Still in planning– no movement on Award

LD Plan and design of: 525k

Cantina, new exit door at Proshop, Electrical to gazebo, Night range lighting-Still in Planning

PDS Plan and design of: 100k

Building improvements, Outdoor seating improvements-Still in Planning

Los Altos plan and design of: 50k

Outdoor seating improvements, Still in Planning

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Golf course equipment (2 tractors/rough mowers to LA, Greens mowers to??, Rear deck mowers to??) Received some mowers from Parks Management. Purchased 500k, Roof ADO café, Roof LD Shop Scheduled, netting #14 and #16 LA to be completed at the end of June 2022, Parking lot lights LA in Planning, Parking lot lights PDS to be done at the end of June 2022, Range lights PDS to be done at the end of June 2022.

Current Projects:

Quotes for ADO wreck Quotes at Risk Management for scheduling repair, drain at LD cart barn should be done in 2-3 weeks, Vince waiting on B&D quote, LA Culvert along #8 drain is lacking backfill, Intrusion Alarms ADO, LA and PDS. ADO and LA wired just waiting on some components.

Completed Projects:

Herbicide Apps for Brassbutton, spring aeration all courses including BFP, road gate at ADO, new trees not in grass areas have bubblers except for Ladera. Assisted Balloon Fiesta Park. Pre-emergent fertilizers and urea spread

Rounds and Revenue

Gabe Moreno reported:

For monthly comparisons from March 2022 to April 2022 we were up 32 % in rounds, up 40 % in green fee revenue, down 7.5 % in pass revenue, and up 33 % in total revenue. Comparing FY22 to FY21, we are still up 3.3 % in rounds, up 6 % in green fee revenue, up 21 % in pass revenue, resulting in us being up 7.4 % in total revenue.

For FY22 through April 2022 golf Revenue was \$4,060,618.70 minus Expenses \$2,836,540.78 = \$1,224,077.92 net profit.

Info for Upcoming June 16th Golf Advisory Board Meeting at ADO

For monthly comparisons from April 2022 to May 2022 we were up 26 % in rounds, up 33 % in green fee revenue, down 41 % in pass revenue, and up 23 % in total revenue. Comparing FY22 to FY21, we are still up 2 % in rounds, up 4.5 % in green fee revenue, up 14 % in pass revenue, resulting in us being up 5.4 % in total revenue.

For FY22 through May 2022 golf Revenue was \$4,935,695.43 minus Expenses \$3,583,680.12 = \$1,352,015.31 net profit.

Concessionaire Comments

Colby Reddoch of Los Altos –Mentioned for the Summer starting May 31, 2022, there will be 9 weeks of Jr Golf Programs. These will be held every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The coach is a teacher at a school and was in the process of sending out fliers. PGA Jr League was cancelled due to the coach backing out due to family issues and could not find a replacement. LA course conditions need more signage. Youth on Course Program Promoted \$5/person at all 4 courses. In 2018 – 35 rounds, in 2021 -1745 rounds.

Tony Hildago of Arroyo Del Oso- Mentioned that he has been playing a lot at PDS and the course is 100% better than last year. ADO is good but depending on monies the cart paths are around 40 years old and could use an update especially for cart path system on the Dam 9.

Golf Advisory Board (GAB) Member Comments

Denise Foor reported: Have not heard anything negative from the ladies. Had some concerns at PDS with crowning. Played the executive course and there are bare spots on the greens but mentioned the fairways look good.

Dan Turnham reported: Questioned the 2nd sanding of the greens at LA. Can sand blast sand be used as it's finer. Recommended that using better quality of sand will last longer, Pothole just before parking lot on the driveway need to be filled, #2 if you do a hook the ball may roll under the net. Fence needs filled in south of the tunnel, glad to see rakes in the bunkers, yardage poles should be a shorter height and only 1 per hold, men's association said they are not necessary. He did notice a lot of dead spots on the greens. Dan recommended to remove poles and Tommy Borst 2nd the motion. Board voted to approve this action and Dave said that it they would be removed.

Karla DeGroft reported: did not attend but sent in comments via email. Deb Thrall read them out loud. At Los Altos, Ladera and Arroyo del Oso, players are noticing raised edges at the holes. Sometimes balls will roll up to the hole, stop at the edge and roll backwards. Other times a ball has approached the hole, and rolled away abnormally. Not just a missed putt. We are all tempted to step on the edges of the holes, but realize we are changing course conditions and that is not allowed. Could the greens keepers please tamp down the edges when they change hole locations? One player called it a volcano, it was so obvious the edges were raised. Some greens at Los Altos are still in bad condition with no grass on some parts. Play on May 10 had us putting through pebbles. I guess they sanded the greens again, but there were no holes punched for the sand to go into. Approaches to the greens still have lumpy, grass/no grass areas on the fringe, especially right in front of the greens. If you are a foot or two off the green and wish to putt, you are doing it through lumpy conditions and the ball veers off in other directions. Signs? I did not see any at the entrance to Los Altos.

Tommy Borst reported: Mentioned that some trees on #6 at LD need to come down. Some of the fairways have dirt spots. GUR was not painted for tournaments. Dave mentioned it was up to the concessioners to paint. Tommy also asked about water conservation. There was also the issue on the markers not right and the score cards do not match. Deb suggested that the score cards must be wrong. She suggested that Tommy talk with the concessionaire about the yardage markers on the fairway and she will talk with him about the cost of getting new cards.

Cris Grover: She noted that the restrooms are still very much dirty.

Deb Thrall reported: Signage for courses need to be approved by golf management before they can be posted as the language was changed to include no dogs. Signs were purchased in January and are on hold until the approval comes through., PIO needs to post the GAB minutes and the agenda as this is a public meeting. She asked if the board liked the new meeting agenda structure, and all agreed that it did allow us to conduct more business.

Old Business

Rates - Discussion was brought up if 9-hole rates should be raised. Motion is to be postponed until the next meeting as an agenda item (open rates) What are we proposing a 9-hole rate should be and what about disc golf? Deb shared information she got from an avid disc golfer who said the rates are too high compared to the rest of the country. However, we do offer golf carts for them to rent which no one else does.

Senior/Youth Representatives- Dave called constituent services, Helen Maestas at 505-768-3322 and she is out of office until further notice. This phone call was to ask about the proposed Senior representative Barbara Lail and Youth representative Cal Lanouette. We may need to ask David Flores or David Simon on this one. Who do we contact and how do we get these individuals moved forward to join the Board?

Women's City Championship –They are waiting on official confirmation from the city for rate reduction. They met last Thursday May 12th at 2 pm at Ladera with the director of the Harbour House to discuss collaboration. They will meet again next Wednesday at the Harbour House. Deb with liaise with the charity to help them fundraise, the House will volunteer for the tournament all 3 days. Deb asked if the members of the GAB can also help with this tournament as it's a defined function of the GAB.

New Business

Consent Agenda -Deb is requesting Gabe enter the updated paragraph under the rounds and revenue reports for review before the meeting. This is valuable information, and the Board needs to see it beforehand so they can then ask questions as needed.

GAB Members Notes - Board members are requested to send in notes to Melissa for the agenda.

Golf App - New Golf app for tee time signups are still a work in progress.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm – Cris Motioned, Dan second

Next Meeting will be held at Arroyo Del Oso: 6/16/2022

Approved by: Deb Thrall

Deb Thrall/ Denise Foor