

# **City of Albuquerque**

# **Municipal Golf Advisory Board May 2015 Minutes**

Meeting Held: 5/21/2015

**Location: Ladera Golf Course Banquet Room** 

| Members Present   | Concessionaires<br>Present | Staff Present     | Members Not Present | Public      |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Los Altos Women's | Wright Zimmerly            | Superintendent,   |                     | Margarett   |
| Elaine DeLand     |                            | David Salas       |                     | Terpening   |
| Ladera Men's      | Todd Kersting              | Asst.             | Ladera Women's      | Chuck Owens |
| Henry Lucero      |                            | Superintendent,   | Linda Knight        |             |
|                   |                            | Tim Martinez      |                     |             |
| Youth Golf        |                            | Christine Allison | At Large            | John Welch  |
| John Perner       |                            |                   | Dan Shipman         |             |
| Senior Golf       |                            |                   | ADO Women's         |             |
| James Crane       |                            |                   | Bev Quinlan         |             |
| PDS Women's       |                            |                   |                     |             |
| Jean Maher        |                            |                   |                     |             |
| PDS Men's         |                            |                   |                     |             |
| Rusty Arrighetti  |                            |                   |                     |             |
| ADO Men's         |                            |                   |                     |             |
| Dennis Vigil      |                            |                   |                     |             |
|                   |                            |                   |                     |             |
| Los Altos Men's   |                            |                   |                     |             |
| Gerry Quinlan     |                            |                   |                     |             |

Meeting was called to order at 3:05pm by John Perner.

# Minutes

Minutes from April 2015 GAB meeting were motioned for approval, second and approved by the Board.

# **Introductions**

John Perner opened the Golf Advisory Board (GAB) meeting dialog. We went around the table to have self-introductions of everyone in attendance which included; Board Members, Concessionaires and General Public.

#### **Golf Management Updates**

## **Personnel Status**

**David Salas:** David provided the following personnel status update: Joe Hernandez has been selected as Assistant Golf Course Supervisor for ADO. We will repost Irrigation Specialist position. There are 2 vacant Equipment Operator positions; we will interview pending HR approval. PDS is at full staff. LAD has a Mechanic position vacant. We have hired Adecco temps to help, 2 at LAD, 1 at LA.

There was much discussion about the overall staffing and equipment needs for each course.

# **Budget Status**

**Tim Martinez:** Tim provided a budget status reviewing the following data: Through April FY15, Golf Rounds YTD decreased by 3.0407%, Revenues decreased by 2.52%, ADO is up (in rounds and revenue for April compared to last year) Ladera and Puerto are up (in rounds), Los Altos is down, PDS is the same. It was agreed that Tim will produce a report quarterly that will provide more of an "apples to apples" comparison, (format of report yet to be confirmed).

#### Other Issues

**David Salas:** Los Altos has a well that is down and we are currently looking to identify the problem. It could be a cracked casing or the pump. The pump is located at the very bottom of the well. The whole course is supplied by well water but we do have access to city water in order to irrigate. We irrigate through the pond which holds a 7 day's supply of water.

#### **Concessionaire Comments**

## None

# **Golf Advisory Board (GAB) Member Comments**

**Todd**: Golf <u>Range</u> magazine names us (Puerto Del Sol) in the top 50 Driving Ranges in the country. The PGA, along with the Bank of America, may be looking into a possible 9-hole event with 24 pros. He will advise when there is more information available. He also commented that everyone is doing a great job.

**John Perner**: Is not pleased with the carts and other issues at Ladera. He is aware that the City does not have funding to fix every issue but knows the City has made Ladera a priority. The length of time it takes for the City to complete the hiring process is hard to comprehend. Hopefully it will get better. Jr Golf is finished and we need to market new ideas to bring in Jr. Golfers. It seems like participation is dropping. There was much discussion about the Jr. Golfers' and how we should encourage them.

**Jim, Jerry, Wright, Rusty and John** all agreed to form an ADHOC committee to meet with Barbara Taylor to brain storm for new ideas and specials to promote all courses.

Jean Maher: Jean advised at Puerto Del Sol there is a vacant mobile home that is still an eye sore.

**Dave**: Agreed to address this issue.

Jim: The drinking fountain located near the restrooms is broken. Also, the ponds are foul.

**Dave**: We turn off fountains during the winter months, but I will have staff address the issue. The ponds are not being cycled. We had to separate them in order to elevate pH (highest nutritional water) levels (at irrigation water source of main pond).

**Elaine DeLand:** Elaine stated overall Los Altos looks really good. Elaine suggests marking lines on one car spot when you get off at 9 in a cart to keep cars from blocking the ramp that exists to make it easier for carts and walkers. Catchers by forward tees are needed. Dave agreed to pay ½ the cost, if perhaps she could raise the other ½.

**Henry Lucero:** Henry commended on the fact that Dave and the crew are doing a good job overall. There are a few concerns he has with Ladera; Rebar Caps, #2 hole – Right Side – hole where tree was removed, #4.

**Old Business:** Golf Passes for Board Members

**New Business:** 2015 Men's City tournament will be 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. The tournament will be held at City Courses

Ladera on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup>. There is a cap at 160 players. It will be 18 rounds, 2- flights.

The RFP for Ladera closes on July 18th. A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting was held at Ladera May 19, 2015 that consisted of: 3 out of town parties attended as well as 2 current concessionaires.

The Golf Administrative offices have moved back to the ADO Maintenance building (6401 Osuna Rd NE).

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03pm.

June meeting will be held Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at Los Altos Banquet Room, commencing at 3:00 o'clock. Jim or Jerry will run the meeting as John will not be attending.

| Revisions Approved by:        |  |
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| John Perner, Vice Chairperson |  |