## RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.

# Golf Advisory Committee September 12, 2024 & September 19, 2024

Chair Steve Collins called the September 12, 2024 meeting to order at 8:30am in the Grand Ave Sonoran Room.

Present: Chair Steve Collins; Co-Chair Preston Kise; Committee Members Johnny Pearson (SCMGA President); Mike Lust (South); Cal Frank (Riverview); Betty Lust (Lakes East); John Bressett (Willowbrook); Bill Talbert (Lakes East); Bob Brandolini (Lakes West); Dennis Meeter (Quail); Barry Broomham (VP SCMGA); Diane Hull (Lakes West); Sue Madden (Quail);Rich Lybolt; Mary Engert (SCWGA); Christi Dorsch (Willowcreek);

RCSC Staff: Golf Sr. Leader Brian Duthu, Golf Shop Manager Chris Linam, Support/Finance Sr. Leader Kevin McCurdy

Guests: Board Director Tom Foster and Twenty-five Cardholders

Review/Amend Prior Meeting Summary: The Summary from May 9, 2024 was accepted as presented.

Brian Duthu, Director of Golf Report: None

**Chris Linam, Pro Shop Manager Report:** 

#### **Pro Shops**

With Overseeding starting September 23rd we will be closing Lakes West, North, Riverview & Willowbrook and we would like to remind those of you with Executive Passes you can play the regulation courses at no additional fee during overseeding, also executive courses are allowing 5 players during overseeding.

Please remember when the single courses (North, Riverview & South) are closed for overseeding the snack shops will also be closed during this process.

Our Pro Shops will be open from 6:00am-9:00am 5 days prior to opening to take phone calls for tee times.

## 2024 OVERSEED SCHEDULE Golf Course will be Closed

Course	Overseed	<u>Opens</u>	Off Cart Path		
North	Sept 23	Oct 11	Nov 1		
Lakes West	Sept 23	Oct 11	Nov 1		
Riverview	Sept 23	Oct 11	Nov 1		
Willowbrook	Sept 23	Oct 11	Nov 1		
South	Oct 14	Nov 1	Nov 22		
<b>Lakes East</b>	Oct 14	Nov 1	Nov 22		
Quail Run *	Oct 14	Nov 1	Nov 22		
Willowcreek	Oct 14	Nov 1	Nov 22		

As of 2-09-2024

- \* If temperatures are too high for Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>, start first wave will be pushed back one week, resulting in one week overlap of course closures.
- \* Quail Run overseed dependent irrigation project is slated to begin late 2024 or early 2025 overseeding may be skipped.

### By USGA Pat Gross

First, it is important to recognize that there is no objective standard for determining when the overseeded turf is strong enough to tolerate cart traffic. Secondly, consider the fact that cart traffic never improves turf quality – it only makes it worse. The abrasion and wear injury caused by cart tires is especially damaging to young seeding turf and can negatively affect the quality of the overseeded surface for several months. A more detailed explanation about the impact of cart traffic on turf is provided in the article "Letting the Numbers Tell the Story on Cart Damage" by David Wienecke. As superintendents intuitively know, the more time allowed for the turf to mature, the better it will be able to withstand cart traffic.

**SCMGA Report:** None

**SCWGA Report:** None

Ladies 18-Hole: Nothing to report

Ladies 9-Hole: Nothing to report

### **Course Reports:**

North: No report

South: Course is improving

Quail: Great shape

Lakes East: Good shape

Lakes West: Good shape

Riverview: Playing well

Willowbrook: No report

Willowcreek: Greens improving, some damage on course, playing well

#### **Discussion:**

The purposed of the meeting today is to discuss and recommend the golf portion of the budget for 2025.

Support/Finance Sr. Leader Kevin McCurdy presented several variations on the proposed golf budget for 2025. Golf is expected to have approximately 325,000 rounds in the coming year.

Discussion followed as to how changes would be made to fee structure at all levels of passes and/or charges. Would changes be put in place in October 2024 or January 2025? Many renewals occur in October, November and December. Sun City nonresident fees are now on apar with other courses in the area.

Salary increases have been built into the proposed budget.

Keep the all course no surcharge fee.

The motion made at the Sept 12, 2024 meeting that was tabled was withdrawn. The withdrawal was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Christy Dorch, seconded by Sue Madden that we recommend to the board the model presented and implemented January 1, 2025. See chart.

### **RCSC GOLF FEES - 2024-2025**

	2024 CURRENT PRICES		JAN 2025 PRICES		OCT 2025 PRICES		
PASSES		_			,		_
Resident No Fee	\$1,800.00		\$2,500.00			\$2,800.00	
Resident Surcharge	\$925.00		\$1,200.00			\$1,300.00	
Resident Executive No Fee	\$1,595.00		\$1,950.00			\$2,150.00	
Resident Executive Surcharge	\$725.00		\$900.00			\$1,000.00	
Non-Resident No Cart	\$3,250.00		\$3,500.00			\$3,750.00	
SURCHARGE FEES	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Summer</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Summer</u>		<u>Winter</u>	<u>Summer</u>
Surcharge Fee - 18 Hole	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$9.00	\$7.00		\$9.50	\$7.50
Surcharge Fee - 9 Hole	\$6.00	\$4.00	\$7.00	\$5.00		\$7.50	\$5.50

Discussion followed and the motion was amended By Christi Dorsch, seconded by Diane Hull to have the surcharge increased to \$9 and \$7 effective October 1, 2025. Vote was taken on the amendment, and it passed unanimously. Vote was taken on the amended motion, and it passed 12 for 2 against.

#### **Guest Comments:**

We need more options such as a 6-month membership at all levels.

Guests who bring their own cart need to be charged a trail fee.

**Adjournment:** The Meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.

Next Meeting: October 10, 2024 at 8:30am – Lakeview Social Hall #2

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Lybolt, Secretary

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