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BOARD OF RECREATION
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BOARD REPORT

NO. 25-181

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO RATES AND FEES FOR TREGNAN GOLF ACADEMY – ALLOCATION OF FORTY PERCENT OF FORFEITED GOLF RESERVATION NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT FEE TO TREGNAN GOLF ACADEMY – APPROVAL OF ADJUSTMENT OF NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT FEE AT 9-HOLE FACILITIES – STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 18, SECTION 15273(a)(1) [CEQA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, MODIFICATION, STRUCTURING, RESTRUCTURING, OR APPROVAL OF RATES, TOLLS, FARES, OR OTHER CHARGES BY PUBLIC AGENCIES WHICH THE PUBLIC AGENCY FINDS ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING OPERATING EXPENSES, INCLUDING EMPLOYEE WAGE RATES AND FRINGE BENEFITS) AND SECTION 15273(a)(2) [CEQA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, MODIFICATION, STRUCTURING, RESTRUCTURING, OR APPROVAL OF RATES, TOLLS, FARES, OR OTHER CHARGES BY PUBLIC AGENCIES WHICH THE PUBLIC AGENCY FINDS ARE FOR PURCHASING OR LEASING SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, OR MATERIALS] OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE II, SECTION 2, CLASS o(1) AND CLASS o(2) OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

*B. Aguirre BA M. Rudnick _____
B. Jones _____ C. Santo Domingo _____
C. Stoneham _____ N. Williams _____


General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the proposed changes to the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Schedule of Rates and Fees for the Tregnan Golf Academy as outlined in this Report and as set forth in Attachment A of this Report, effective immediately;
2. Approve the allocation of forty percent of forfeited golf reservation non-refundable deposit fee to Tregnan Golf Academy as outlined in this Report, effective immediately;
3. Authorize Golf Division staff to adjust the non-refundable deposit fee if needed (approved under Board Report 24-078) at the City's 9-hole courses, effective immediately.

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4. Determine that the recommended Board action is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 18, Section 15273(a)(1) [CEQA does not apply to the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates, tolls, fares, or other charges by public agencies which the public agency finds are for the purpose of meeting operating expenses, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits) and Section 15273(a)(2) [CEQA does not apply to the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates, tolls, fares, or other charges by public agencies which the public agency finds are for purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment, or materials] of California CEQA Guidelines as well as Article II, Section 2, Class o(1) and Class o(2) of City CEQA Guidelines and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation;
5. Authorize the RAP Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing an NOE; and,
6. Authorize staff to make the changes outlined in this Report to the RAP Rates and Fees Manual.

SUMMARY

Tregnan Golf Academy Rates and Fees

The Tregnan Golf Academy ("Tregnan") is a youth golf training facility located in Griffith Park. Its mission is to introduce the game of golf to youth and provide them with the skills, knowledge, and confidence to play the game throughout their lives. The focus of the academy is to reach out to young people from urban areas that have little or no exposure to the game of golf by making Tregnan accessible, affordable, and enjoyable. In recent years, Tregnan has also extended its class offerings to women and seniors. Tregnan is fully operated, maintained and funded by RAP's Golf Division.

The cost of operating Tregnan has increased over the last several years due to rising labor and material costs. As a result, RAP staff is proposing raising fees to offset some of the increase in costs and continue to be able to offer an excellent recreational and educational golf program for youth. The last increase in fees for Tregnan was in April 2019. RAP staff is proposing increasing open enrollment session fees from \$99.00 per class to \$180.00 per class. Open Enrollment sessions are the most common and popular class at Tregnan and class is comprised of eight sessions with each session being one hour and a half in duration. See Attachment A for a complete list of proposed fee changes. The proposed rates at Tregnan are comparable to fees charged by the SCGA Junior Foundation and First Tee Los Angeles non-profit youth golf organizations, and well below private youth golf programs. Tregnan also offers scholarships to low income youth interested in learning the game of golf.

It is estimated that these changes to the Tregnan fee schedule will generate additional revenues of \$190,000 per year, which will be deposited into RAP's Fund 52H, Department 89, Account

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89G401. Funds from this account are utilized to pay for golf supplies, instruction, and facility maintenance.

Allocation of 40% of Forfeited Non-Refundable Deposit Fee to Tregnan Golf Academy

Board Report 24-078, approved on April 4, 2024, authorized the establishment of a non-refundable deposit of \$10 per booked round for each individual player to be charged at the time of booking. If a golfer shows up for their reservation, the \$10 deposit is applied to their green fee. If the golfer cancels or does not show for their reservation, the \$10 fee is forfeited. During the one year between May 1, 2024 and April 30, 2025, \$886,000 was forfeited at the City's ten golf courses where a deposit is being collected. RAP is proposing transferring 40% of the forfeited deposit revenue to Tregnan's Account 89G401, Fund 52H, Department 89, Work Order GOLF3150 to help fund youth golf instruction, supplies, and facility maintenance.

Adjustment of the Non-Refundable Deposit at the City's 9-Hole Courses

Board Report 24-078, approved on April 4, 2024, authorized the establishment of a non-refundable deposit of \$10 per booked round for each individual player to be charged at the time of booking. This measure was taken to mitigate tee time brokering. Upon implementation, it was noted that the \$10 per booked round, while effective for 18-hole rounds, was oftentimes over 50% to 100% of the green fee for the City's 9-hole courses (Harbor Park, Roosevelt, Penmar). This practice has led to more golfers opting to play stand-by on a wait list rather making a reservation. As a result, the Golf Division is seeking authority to adjust the non-refundable deposit to be up to \$10 (\$10 or less) at its 9-hole facilities. The deposit amount will be adjusted in a manner to maximize reservations at the 9-hole facilities, while still maintaining the integrity and purpose of the implementation of a non-refundable deposit fee.

TREES AND SHADE

The approval of this Report will have no impact on existing trees and shade at RAP facilities.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Section 21080(b)(8) of the California Public Resources Code and Article 18, Section 15273(a) of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines state that the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates or other charges established by public agencies is statutorily exempt from the CEQA if the public agency finds that such action have the purpose of meeting operational expenses, purchasing and leasing supplies, obtaining capital funds for capital project to maintain certain level of service or maintaining intracity transfer.

Section 21080(b)(8) of the California Public Resources Code and Article 18, Section 15273(a) of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines also require that the public agency incorporate written findings in the record of any proceeding in which an exemption under these sections is claimed.

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The proposed increase of rates at the Tregnan Golf Academy is motivated by the increase of operational costs, therefore staff recommend that the Board determine that the action is statutorily exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Article 18, Section 15273(a)(1) and Section 15273(a)(2) of California CEQA Guidelines and Article II, Section 2, Class o(1) and o(2) of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation upon Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no negative impact on RAP's General Fund, as all revenue and expenses related to the operation of the City's golf system is deposited to or paid from, the Golf Operations Special Fund.

This Report was prepared by Rick Reinschmidt, Golf Manager, Golf Division

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

- 1) Attachment A – Schedule of Rates and Fees for the Tregnan Golf Academy

TREGNAN GOLF ACADEMY(Revised April 1, 2019 *November 1, 2025*)

The Tregnan Golf Academy conducts Citywide programs in support of youth golf (ages 3 to 17), golf camps, and golf clinics. The Academy also provides group activities, instruction, and building usage to the public on a reservation basis.

Monies generated will provide a means of augmenting general programming at the Academy.

Golf Instruction

<u>Class</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Little Linkster	\$70.00 <i>\$120.00</i>
Junior Tour	\$99.00 <i>\$180.00</i>
Family Golf	\$80.00 <i>\$150.00</i>
Open Enrollment	\$99.00 <i>\$180.00</i>
Recreation Center Group	\$50.00 <i>\$100.00</i>
Day Camp (Per Day)	\$35.00 <i>\$55.00</i>
Adult/Senior Classes	\$99.00 <i>\$180.00</i>

Tournaments

9-Hole Tournament	\$10.00
Junior Executive Tournament	\$15.00
Tregnan Weekly Challenge	\$7.00

Open Practice (adult golfers over 18 must be accompanied by a youth age 6-17)

Members:	\$3.00 per day (unlimited hours)
Special Group Practice:	\$45.00 per hour
(Maximum of 5 youth and subject to advance scheduling. Groups must maintain a ratio of one adult to every five youth.)	

Special Group Instruction: \$250 for two hours and \$150 for each additional hour
(Maximum of 10 people)
Fee includes one hour of instruction and one hour of practice, balls, clubs and supervision during practice.

Equipment Rental

	<u>Members</u>
Golf Balls (bucket of 40)	\$3.00
Golf Clubs (5 club bag)	\$2.00

Facility Use Fees

		<u>1st 2 hours</u>	<u>Each additional hour</u>
(Monday-Thursday)	Non Profit	\$500.00	\$150.00
	Profit	\$600.00	\$200.00
(Friday-Sunday)	Non Profit	\$700.00	\$250.00
	Profit	\$850.00	\$350.00

Special Use Fees

\$300.00 (maximum of 4 hours for City Agencies and Department sponsored groups)

ADDITIONAL CHARGES

Event Monitor	\$45.00 per hour (Permit groups must pay monitor for 1 hour before and after event)
Staffing	The per hour staff rate, as established in the GENERAL INFORMATION page, will be charged when facility is normally closed. (Permit groups must pay staff for 1 hour before and after event.)
Park Rangers	See applicable ranger fees
Furniture Rental	8 ft. table and 8 chairs \$50.00 per set