

Parks & Recreation Committee - Board of Representatives

Dennis Mahoney, Chair

Raven Matherne, Vice Chair

Committee Minutes

Date:Tuesday, September 22, 2020Time:7:00pmPlace:The Meeting was Held Remotely

The Parks & Recreation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Mahoney, Vice Chair Matherne and Committee Member Reps. Aquila, de la Cruz, Giordano, Policar, and Wallace. Excused were Reps. Pratt and Saftic. Also present were Reps. Adams and McMullen; Dana Lee, Law Department; Laurie Albano, Parks & Recreation Supervisor; Rob Tyska and Andrea Brantner, Golf Commission; Hildago Nagashima and Bekim Ukperaj, Brennan Golf Course, and one member of the public.

Chair Mahoney called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. <u>PR30.053</u>	ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption; Amending Chapter 175, Parks and Recreation, Sec. 175-1 to require a Resolution of the Board of Representatives to Designate of any City Park or Recreational Facility as "Permit Parking Only." 07/22/20 – Submitted by Rep. McMullen 08/18/20 – Approved by Committee 5-1-0	Approved 7-0-0

Chair Mahoney opened the public hearing at 7:09pm. There being no one from the public wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Chair Mahoney and Mr. Lee explained that this ordinance modification is to allow the Board of Representatives to have input in any new designation by the City for any Parks & Recreation facilities to be permit parking only. The Parks & Recreation Commission must come to the Board of Representatives if it wants to make a change. This removes the decision power from the Parks & Recreation Commission and Office of Operations, and gives it back to the Board of Representatives. This modification would be proactive, not retroactive. There was a brief discussion.

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-0 (Reps. Mahoney, Matherne, Aquila, de la Cruz, Giordano, Policar, and Wallace in favor).

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²2. RESOLUTION and Approval of Public Hearing; <u>PR30.055</u> Establishing Fees for E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Course 2021. 09/09/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Mr. Tyska and Mr. Ukperaj explained the need for the fee and permit increases, and there was discussion on this item.

- The Golf Commission is increasing the rates now so the changes will be approved when permits start being sold in December.
- The last three fiscal years saw a large loss in revenue partly due to bad weather.
- As of June 30, 2020 Brennan had a deficit of \$45,000.
- There has been a huge increase in rounds this year.
- Management of the golf course has been restructured.
- The check-in process at the pro-shop has been changed so there is a much more seamless check-in for golfers.
- There was a major renovation in the golf course this year. The golf flow is now much safer for golfers and the general public.
- There are two key reasons for these rate increases:
 - 1. To balance the budget going forward.
 - 2. To cover the shortfall from last year and build a cushion in the fund.
- These rates are the only revenue generated for Brennan; there is no taxpayer funding, and there is no driving range like Sterling Farms.
- Sterling Farms' rates will also go up with these changes as permit revenue is shared between the two golf courses.

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-0 (Reps. Mahoney, Matherne, Aquila, de la Cruz, Giordano, Policar, and Wallace in favor).

Chair Mahoney adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

This meeting is on video.

² Video Time Stamp: 00:14:20