AGENDA
GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016, AT 9:00 A.M.
BOARD ROOM – GATEWAY COMPLEX

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: John McDonnell, Chairman

2. ROLL CALL: McDonnell, Terry, Bolinger, Herrick, Hufford, Montgomery, Williamson, and Delpech, ex-officio member

3. APPROVAL OF REPORT: Regular Meeting of August 12, 2016 (Attachment)

4. VICE CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

5. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. RESIDENTS’ FORUM

7. GRF BOARD REPORT – MARY LOU DELPECH, BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

8. REPORTS - GOLF CLUBS
   a. Women’s 18-Hole Club – Mary Hufford, Club Representative
   b. Women’s 9-Hole Club – Lydia F. Bolinger, Club Representative
   c. Men’s Club – Robert L. Montgomery, Club Representative
   d. Happy Hackers Club – Susan Williamson, Club Representative
   e. Hosting Program Committee – Donald A. Terry

9. REPORTS - STAFF
   a. Financial Report
   b. Staff Reports – Mark K. Heptig, Director, Golf Courses
      Blake Swint, Superintendent
   c. Chief Marshal's Report – Dickey Nitta, Chief Marshal

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
    a. Suggested amendments to Rule R103.0, Golf Courses
       (Deferred from August 12, 2016).

11. NEW BUSINESS
    a. Golf Club Tournament Schedules

12. ADJOURNMENT

13. NEXT MEETING: Friday, October 14, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., in the Board Room at Gateway Complex

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cc: GRF Board
GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

REGULAR MEETING
FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2016, AT 9:02 A.M.

A regular meeting of the Golf Advisory Committee (GAC) was convened by the Vice Chairman, Donald A. Terry, at 9:02 a.m. on Friday, August 12, 2016, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Present, in addition to the Vice Chairman were Lydia F. Bolinger, William L. Herrick, Mary Hufford, Robert L. Montgomery, Susan Williamson, and Mary Lou Delpech, ex-officio member and GRF Board representative. John McDonnell was excused. Also attending were Carl W. Brown, Director, GRF; Mark K. Heptig, Director of Golf; Dickey Nitta, Chief Marshal; and several residents.

The report of the Committee’s regular meeting held on July 8, 2016, was approved as written.

Ms. Delpech reported that the GRF Board approved at its July 28th meeting the Compensation Committee’s recommendations regarding including in the 2017 budget increases in wages and benefits for both nonunion and union employees. She also reported that Board approved the replacement of the outdated GRF telephone system with a new digital system.

Ms. Hufford, representing the Women’s 18-Hole Club, reported the following: 1) the Club currently has 125 members; and 2) the Club’s medal play championship will start next week.

Mrs. Bolinger, representing the Women’s 9-Hole Club, reported the following: 1) the Club currently has 161 members; 2) the Club has scheduled a Hawaiian Day Tournament.

Mr. Montgomery, representing the Rossmoor Men’s Golf Club, reported the following: 1) the Club currently has 379 members; 2) the Club will hold a Past Presidents’ Event on the 9-hole course on August 16th; 3) on September 10th, the Club will sponsor a “Hawaiian Party” for all women’s and men’s Clubs with dinner and dancing to live music; 4) on Monday, August 15th, the RMGC is sponsoring a Divot and Green Repair Event at 4:00 p.m. This is a kick-off event for a new ongoing program initiated by the Club’s President, Mr. Nitta. Golfers can volunteer through the Pro Shop and will be assigned specific holes to repair divots and ball marks; 5) in July, the Club hosted several tournaments: three Home and Home events, Match Play, Rainbow Scramble, and a 6x6x6 event. The RMGC greatly appreciated the help of Mr. Heptig and his staff for making these events possible; 6) Mr. Heptig’s turf reduction and water conservation presentations last month to the Boards of the men’s and women’s Clubs were well attended and very informative; and 7) the RMGC Board established a subcommittee to evaluate which holes should be treated as “Ground Under Repair” or “Played Down” for men’s tournaments.
Ms. Williamson, representing the Happy Hackers Club, reported the following: 1) the Club currently has 210 members; and 2) the Club has another scramble tournament scheduled for Saturday, August 20th.

Mr. Terry, reporting on the Golf Hosting Program, reported that he will be giving two more realty updates this year and that the program continues to host would-be buyers for rounds of golf on the courses.

Mr. Heptig presented the financial report and the Golf Management report, which are attached.

Mr. Swint presented the Golf Course Superintendent’s Report, which is attached.

Mr. Nitta reported that all is going well and that he had no issues to report.

The Committee discussed turf reduction and water conservation efforts. Mr. Heptig reported that since the GRF Board approved option #2 from the summary report he presented at the Board’s July meeting, there will be no introduction of a phase 3 at this time. He said that he hoped many areas around the golf course will look better by November 1st as staff employs the post-drought business plan. He also reported that the Board directed staff to prepare a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit the services of a landscape design company to create a landscape plan for the high vision areas along Rossmoor Parkway and selected areas on the golf course for consideration of the Board at a future meeting.

Regarding water conservation, Mr. Swint reported that since May 18th, the date his staff opened the EBMUD 8” valve that provides supplemental irrigation water to the golf course’s irrigation reservoir, they have continued to use 88% of the amount of irrigation water compared to the same time period in 2013.

The Committee discussed the golf budget for 2017.

The Committee discussed the possibilities of using reclaimed water from the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District. Mr. Swint reported that the cost in transporting 6 to 7 4,000 gallon truckloads of recycled water from the Concord facility to Rossmoor would be much more expensive than simply purchasing water from EBMUD. To collect recycled water from the Sanitary District, GRF would have to hire a seasonal truck driver with a Class A (commercial) license.

The Committee agreed to defer discussion of agenda item 11c, suggested amendments to Rule R103.0, Golf Courses, to its September meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.
The next regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Friday, September 9, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Donald A. Terry, Vice Chairman
Golf Advisory Committee