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**City Council Regular Meeting**

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation  
**FROM:** Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation  
**MEETING:** March 4, 2024

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**SUBJECT:**

Consider approval of the purchase of new golf carts through Sourcewell cooperative purchasing agreement #122220-CCR with Club Car in the amount of \$544,800 (*Staff Contact: Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation*)

**SUMMARY:**

The golf carts at Hidden Creek Golf Course were originally purchased in 2019 with an anticipated replacement schedule of four years. In 2023 staff reviewed the lead time and cost for replacement and determined that replacement of the batteries would provide an additional year of service for the carts. In January of 2024 the fleet began experiencing additional mechanical challenges outside of the batteries including brakes, micro switches that control the pedal box, ball joints, and tires.

The concern with not replacing the fleet earlier is the lost revenue and of course reputation. Currently the course is experiencing 10-15 carts down on a daily basis, requiring staff to block tee times to ensure that enough carts are available for users.

Staff met with multiple cart vendors to review lease versus purchasing carts and current production lead times in January 2024. After reviewing the cost/benefit of leasing versus purchasing, staff is recommending to purchase the carts outright. The purchase of the carts should result in a net savings over the life of the carts. Club Car is able to provide carts in early summer 2024 and has the availability to provide a gap fleet to cover our shortage in the interim. The new fleet will consist of

75 lithium ion 2 passenger golf carts  
3 gas powered staff carts  
1 range unit  
2 beverage carts

The cost to purchase the fleet outright is \$544,800.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends proceeding with purchasing a new fleet with club car for the replacement of the golf carts at Hidden Creek Golf Course

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

- 1) Approve
- 2) Deny request

**PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):**

NA

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The proposed purchase will be purchased from the proprietary equipment replacement fund and the golf course will repay the fund over the next four years. The golf course currently contributes to the replacement of equipment and vehicles through the equipment replacement fund. The annual payment will be reallocated from the existing equipment replacement fund to the proprietary fund.

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