

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BURNET, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTIONS 74-37, ENTITLED "DEFINITIONS," AND 74-38, ENTITLED "GOLF COURSE RATES"; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City provides, or causes to be provided, golf services to the citizens of the City of Burnet and to the general public; and

WHEREAS, in order to administer the operations of the course, facilitate the efficient implementation of this Article, provide an inviting golfing experience, and protect the best interests of the City, City Council delegates course rule-making authority to the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly manage the golf course and remain fiscally responsible to its citizens, certain reasonable daily rates and dues are proper to assess; and

WHEREAS City Council finds that the following dues and rates are reasonable and fair given the golf services provided; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds, determines, and declares that publication of notice of this Ordinance, as required by Section 3.14 of the City Charter and the laws of the State of Texas, was made by the City Secretary within the period prescribed by Section 3.14; and

WHEREAS, City Council, finds, determines, and declares that the meeting at which this Ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Ordinance, was given as required by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS, THAT:

Section One. Findings. The foregoing recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted by the City Council and made a part hereof for all purposes as findings of fact.

Section Two. Amendment. Section 74-37 (entitled "definitions") of the City of Burnet Code of Ordinance shall be amended and replaced in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 74-37. Definitions.

In this article the terms in italics below shall have the definitions that follow:

Administrator shall mean the city manager or the person the city manager designates to administer this article.

Cart fee shall mean the fee for use of a public cart.

Dynamic pricing shall mean an adjustment to the rates established in this article as follows:

- a decrease of up to fifty (50) percent of the rates established in this article, which may be applied at any time to encourage golf course utilization during lower-demand periods; and
- an increase of up to fifty (50) percent of the rates established in this article, which may be applied only on Holidays, as defined herein, to manage utilization and maximize revenue potential during high-volume periods.

First responder shall mean a law enforcement, fire protection, or emergency medical services employee or volunteer as defined in V.T.C.A. Government Code § 421.095(1).

Golf cart shall mean a motorized or electric powered vehicle manufactured for the purpose of transporting golfers and equipment on the golf course.

Holiday(s) shall mean an official holiday as adopted in the City of Burnet Personnel Policy. When a holiday falls on a Friday or a Monday, the immediately adjacent Saturday and Sunday shall also be recognized as holidays.

Juniors shall mean a person 18 years of age or younger, or a member of the Burnet High School golf team.

Private cart shall mean a privately owned golf cart.

Promotional rates shall mean a discount of the rates established by this article, up to 50 percent, to promote a special event or activity.

Public cart shall mean a golf cart that is the property of the city.

Seniors shall mean a person 60 years of age or older.

Trail fee shall mean the fee for use of a private cart on the golf course.

Weekday shall mean Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday (does not include Friday).

Weekend shall mean Saturday, or Sunday and holidays

Section Three. Amendment. Section 74-38 (entitled “*golf course rates*”) of the City of Burnet Code of Ordinance shall be amended and replaced in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 74-38. Golf course rates.

(a) *Daily rates.* Rates established for use of the golf course do not include applicable sales tax and are as follows:

GREEN FEES	Weekday Rate (Monday—Thursday)	Weekend/Holiday Rate**** (Friday—Sunday)
18 Holes*	\$38.00	\$53.00
9 Holes (after 1 p.m.)**	\$22.00	\$30.00
Twilight Rate***	\$22.00	\$30.00

* Seniors, juniors, active-military, City of Burnet residents (must reside within the incorporated city limits), and first responders shall receive a \$5.00 discount off 18-hole rates. Discounts do not apply to twilight rates, discounted rates, and may not be combined.

** Seniors, juniors, active-military, City of Burnet residents (must reside within the incorporated city limits), and first responders shall receive a \$2.00 discount off 9-hole rates. Discounts do not apply to twilight rates or discounted rates, and may not be combined. 9-hole rates are not available before 1:00 p.m. on any day of the week.

*** Twilight Rates may apply at any time after 1:00 p.m., the beginning time of which shall be determined by the City Manager, or designee, and may vary based on available daylight, seasonal conditions, and safe course operations, to manage utilization and maximize revenue potential during low-volume periods.

Children 14 years of age and under shall receive a free green fee and cart during twilight hours with a paying adult (one child for each paying adult). Members of the BCISD junior high and high school golf teams shall receive a free green fee and one range bucket during

twilight hours (cart not included). The free round must be played with a golf coach or responsible adult over the age of 21. Any additional range buckets will be charged at the standard rate.

**** Walking is not permitted before 1:00 p.m. on Weekends or Holidays.

RANGE BALLS*	Rate
Standard Rate	\$9.24
Junior Rate	\$3.69

* Sales tax not included

CART/TRAIL FEES	
The Cart Fees for use of a Public Cart are:	
Cart 18 Holes—per person*	\$20.00
Cart 9 Holes—per person*	\$17.00
Twilight Cart—per person*	\$16.00
Private Cart Trail Fee—per cart 9 or 18 Holes	\$17.00

*Sales tax not included

All players who use a city owned cart must pay a cart fee. Anyone over the age of 14 riding in a city-owned cart not playing shall be required to pay the applicable cart fee. All carts including both city-owned and private carts shall in accordance with state law, only be operated by a licensed driver over the age of 18.

All players who use a private cart must pay a trail fee.

(b) *Annual dues and monthly rates.*

The following rates are charged to permit play in lieu of posted daily rates*.

Type	ANNUAL DUES* (12 Month Commitment)			NON COMMITMENT
	Annual Payment	Semi-annual Payment	Monthly Payment	Monthly Payment**
Single	\$ 1,364.00	\$ 716.00	\$ 126.00	\$ 158.00
Spouse	\$ 682.00	\$ 358.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 79.00
Junior	\$ 456.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 43.00	\$ 55.00
Trail Fee—Single Cart	\$ 728.00	\$ 383.00	\$ 68.00	\$ 85.00
Trail Fee—Second Cart	\$ 364.00	\$ 192.00	\$ 34.00	\$ 43.00
Cart Storage—Single Stall***	\$ 642.00	\$ 337.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 76.00
Cart Storage—Second Stall***	\$ 321.00	\$ 168.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 38.00
Cart Rental—Single Cart***	\$ 1,222.00	\$ 642.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 140.00
Cart Rental—Second Cart***	\$ 611.00	\$ 321.00	\$ 56.00	\$ 70.00

* When player commits to a 12-month program (October through September of the current year).

** The non-commitment rate applies to players who wish to pay a monthly rate but do not want to commit to a 12-month program. The non-commitment rate is based on calendar months and cannot be prorated.

***Does not include sales tax.

(c) *Player development program (PDP)*. Provides for unlimited range ball use for the month. Rates are based on a per calendar month and cannot be prorated.

Player Development Program (PDP)*	Rate
One Month of Unlimited Range Ball Use	\$ 69.99

**Sales tax not included*

ANNUAL DUES AND MONTHLY RATES:

- Spouse rate only applies to spouse of annual dues and monthly single player.
- Annual and monthly dues are non-transferable.
- Annual dues player must commit to 12-month program (October through September) of the current fiscal year to be eligible for semi-annual or monthly payments.
- Second cart must be owned and/or operated by the spouse or minor child of the single player.
- New annual dues players who join after the beginning of the fiscal year and have not been an annual dues player in the last 12 months, shall be eligible to enroll on the semi-annual or monthly payment plan for the remainder of the current fiscal year.
- Annual dues and monthly players may be subject to designated tee times as established by the administrator.
- Annual dues players and monthly players who use a private cart must pay a trail fee.
- Annual dues players and monthly players who use a city owned cart must pay a cart fee.
- In the event an annual dues player is unable to play for a period of 30 consecutive days or more due to an illness or injury, then with medical verification of said illness or injury, the administrator shall have the authority to suspend, or in the event of pre-payment refund, that portion of the fees incurred during the period of absence.
- Residents of the City of Burnet shall be eligible to receive a ten percent discount off of annual, semi-annual and monthly dues upon showing proof of residency.
- Annual 3% increase. The rates provided for in section 74-38 (b) (entitled "annual dues and monthly rates") shall automatically increase by 3% per year on October 1st of each year subject the following:
 - No later than September 1st each year the city manager may survey rates charged by golf courses in Burnet County and in any or all of the following counties: Llano, San Saba, Lampasas, Bell County, Williamson, Travis, Blanco, and Gillespie Counties; and
 - Should the city manager find a 3% increase would put the city's course at a competitive disadvantage with golf course in the surrounding areas he may direct that increase be less than 3% or there be no increase for that fiscal year; provided the city manager makes a written finding to that effect and forwards such finding to the city council within three (3) business days after he directs the 3% fee increase be reduced or not implemented.

(d) *General rate provisions.*

- (1) The administrator, as he or she may reasonably determine to be in the best interest of the city, is authorized to do any of the following:
 - a. Establish promotional rates and implement dynamic pricing to effectively manage utilization and income generation of the golf course; and
 - b. Establish player programs as the administrator finds appropriate; and
 - c. Establish fees and charges for other goods and services not specifically established by ordinance.
- (2) This article does not constitute an offer of contract between the city and any person and shall not be construed as such.
- (3) Payment of a fee or dues as prescribed by this article gives the payer a license to use the golf course, which is revocable, without refund, by the administrator for violation of any law, ordinance or golf course administrative rule.

Section Four. Severability. Should any section or part of this ordinance be held unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, or the application to any person or circumstance for any reasons thereof ineffective or inapplicable, such unconstitutionality, illegality, invalidity, or ineffectiveness of such section or part shall in no way affect, impair or invalidate the remaining portion or portions thereof; but as to such remaining portion or portions, the same shall be and remain in full force and effect and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section Five. Publication. The publishers of the City Code are authorized to amend said Code to reflect the changes adopted herein and to correct typographical errors and to format and number paragraphs to conform to the existing Code.

Section Six. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on March 13, 2026

FINALLY PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 24th day of February 2026.

CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS

Gary Wideman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maria Gonzales, City Secretary