STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: August 19, 2025 DEPARTMENT: Leisure Services

TITLE:

Follow up to the options of the Golf Course's hole #3 temporary change

SUMMARY:

Discussion for the purpose of directing staff regarding the Golf Course's hole #3

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

Based on direction of the Commission at the June 17th Regular City Commission Meeting, the Lake Worth Beach Golf Course temporarily changed Hole #3 from a Par 4 to a Par 3 on June 24th. In the time following the change, the City has collected feedback from the players of the golf course and residents in the form of online and paper surveys. Letters were delivered to neighbors with residences in the vicinity of hole #3, and the surveys were shared on all city social media accounts, the monthly newsletter, emailed to our golf player database and hard copies were available at the golf course.

6085 Rounds of Golf have been played during the time of the temporary change (June 24) to the end of the survey (August 7).

Lake Worth Beach Resident Survey Facts:

Of the 39 responses by Lake Worth Beach Residents, residents who were affected by the balls prior to June 24, 50% of them reported less balls in their area.

Residents who were previously not affected by balls prior to June 24, 11.11% are now seeing an increase in golf balls down the street in their yards.

Golf Players Survey Facts:

Of the 421 Players responses, 89.06% of the players who play 50+ rounds per year stated it reduces the quality of the course.

The players who play in one of the 3 weekly Lake Worth Beach golf leagues, 91.67% the temporary change reduces the quality of the course.

Staff is looking for follow up to determine the next steps for hole #3.

Option #A Continue with the temporary change into the busy season (October - April) to determine impact through resident and player feedback.

Option #B Explore the option of a redesign of the hole #3 par 4, and move the original tee box to the right, closer to the trees, and change the direction pointing to the left of the fairway.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Option A or B for the third hole on the golf course

ATTACHMENT(S):

Residents Survey Results and Comments Players Survey Results and Comments Options for Review Hole #3 Fiscal Impact Analysis N/A