

STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: June 17, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Leisure Services

TITLE:

Options regarding Golf Course hole #3

SUMMARY:

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

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Lake Worth Beach Municipal Golf Course officially opened on November 11, 1926. In 1948, the completed 18-hole golf course was opened for play after golf course architect Dick Wilson redesigned the original holes and added nine more. Today the Lake Worth Beach Golf Club includes an 18-hole, par-71 golf course featuring four sets of tees playing from 4,200 to 6,011 yards. The course is comprised of a unique old Florida design along 1.2 miles of the Intracoastal Waterway. The Golf Course will be 100 years old in 2026. The current layout of the Golf course was designed in 1947.

Leisure Services has received concerns from citizens regarding golf balls landing on their property along the right side of golf course hole number 3. The city's Manager of Golf who is a PGA golf professional with 35 years of experience, worked with several golf experts, as well as the current golf course maintenance company and met with residents to explore various options to mitigate the concerns.

While staff cannot guarantee that any option will stop all golf balls – staff is providing options below that have the potential to reduce the number of golf balls landing outside hole number 3. Staff is providing 3 options for Commissions review and the options are in addition to our Golf Pro Shop staff being asked to notify golfers about the hole when they arrive to check in.

Regardless of whether the tee box is moved, staff will be reshaping the fairway by changing the mowing patterns to produce a more pronounced dogleg of the hole bending from left to right, in addition to the new signage that has already been installed.

Option #1 – Move the existing Tee Box to the right and change the direction of the tee box aiming it towards the left side of the fairway.

Option #2 – Make Hole #3 a PAR 3.

Option #3 – Leave tee box as is adding more landscaping, reshaping the fairway and the new signage.

Attached is a map and comparison of the various options for commission review.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Option 1, 2 or 3 for the third hole on the golf course

ATTACHMENT(S):

Map of Potential Options
Comparison of Options