City of Stamford E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Course

FY 2020-21
Fiscal Committee
Budget Presentation
Brennan Golf





Other



Introduction

Mission: To provide the Resident's of Stamford and neighboring areas a preeminent public golf course.

| Programs | Services Provided | |
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| Critical & Mandated Administration | Establishment of Rate structure with emphasis on reasonable rates for residents. Operation of computerized tee sheets, electronic communication though email and social media | |
| Maintenance | Improve golf course facilities to compete in highly challenging area golf market and exceed expectations of golfing public. | |
| Basic service and quality of life programs | Provide practice rounds and matches free of charge for both Stamford and Westhill High Schools. Clinics and lessons available for all ages through Golf Shop PGA Professional. | |
| Maintenance | Provide a safe habitat to numerous wildlife. Open turf area helps to create a noise buffer, as well as a rain filter. | |

Brennan is also home to Zody's 19th Hole Restaurant.





Department Management

Key Program/Department Challenges

- Nearly half the year impacted by weather, losing considerable amount of playable golf days due to poor weather.
- Second year of rearrangement of Golf Shop Operation.
- Golf Course Realignment project.
- Capital Project Debt service on a very old facility.
- Aging fleet of turf equipment

Budget Scenarios

- Controllable items are hiring less labor, spending less on plant protectants and purchase of new/maintaining equipment. All of which have a negative effect on maintenance of course conditions.
- If additional funds could be realized, updating of turf equipment is priority in fleet that is in dire need of replacement.
- In an area with highly competitive golf market, Brennan Golf Course is at a huge disadvantage by not having income supplemented by a driving range nor City funds. Reductions would be catastrophic.





This is what is coming

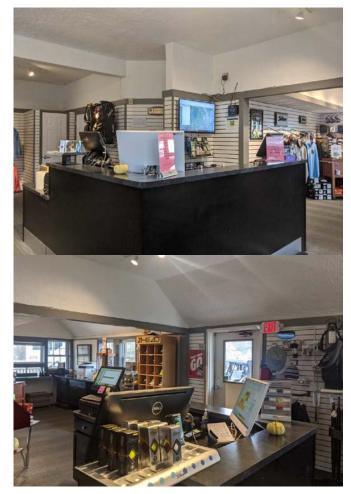
Major changes planned for the department

- Improvements with fleet of new carts with GPS and Golf Shop operational reorganization has produced benefits for the overall golfer experience.
- Completion of Golf Course realignment project, which has produced much interest from golfing public for Brennan.
- Continued improvements on golf course playability and visual aspects under direction of new Course Superintendent.
- Capital Balance of \$115,917.60 carried over, currently on hold.
- No change in number of staff.
- Increase in green fee rates and a decrease in outing rates to remain competitive in the public golf market. Rate changes, in conjunction with a renewed push on marketing, hoping to attract more rounds and additional revenue for the upcoming year.

Bunker Edging Project; part of continued effort of many course clean up and improvement projects.



Completed Golf Shop Renovation; trackable carts by GPS shown on screen behind counter.



Course Realignment Project





Metrics

| Fiscal Year Comparison FY 19-20 to FY 18-19 | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| | FY | | | |
| | Totals Through End of Feb | | Full FY | |
| | FY 19-20 | FY 18-19 | 18-19 | |
| Rounds Played | 17988 | 16933 | 28477 | |
| Player Revenue | \$477,981 | \$459,003 | \$782,991 | |
| Resident Permits Sold | 279 | 100 | 1047 | |
| Permit Revenue | \$13,950 | \$4,000 | \$47,495 | |
| PAR Pass Sold | 25 | 2 | 44 | |
| PAR Pass Revenue | \$4,150 | \$400 | \$7,700 | |
| Sr Pass Sold | 71 | 7 | 212 | |
| Sr Pass Revenue | \$4,970 | \$490 | \$14,840 | |
| Days of Snow Cover | 22 | 20 | 35 | |
| Rain Days | 54 | 50 | 81 | |
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