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To: <u>Mahoney, Dennis; McGarry, Marion</u>

Cc: Stella, Jeffrey; Pratt, Rodney; Quinones, Matt; Albano, Laurie; Paul Grillo; Board of Representatives

Subject: PR30.023 ORDINANCE for publication; Banning Smoking in City-Owned Beaches, Parks & Other Recreational

Locations

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## Co-Chairs Mahoney and McGarry,

It has come to my attention that you will be taking up a proposed smoking ban at city owned recreation facilities including the golf courses tonight. I am a bit dismayed that the Golf Commission and Golf Authority was not invited to be part of this discussion since this can have an adverse effect on our play and therefore our revenue. I also have concerns with this ban on how it will effect the restaurant operators at both facilities in that their patrons could be subject to an outside smoking ban that would not apply to other restaurants in the city. Finally this ban would also effect employees of the golf courses and in the case of Brennan, union employees under a collective bargaining agreement who could be subject to a smoking ban that would not apply to other members of their union.

Due to a conflict with our regular meeting of the Golf Commission meeting tonight, I asked that you hold this item until such time as input from both golf courses can be given on this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert Tyska Chairman Golf Commission