Glenway Golf Course Master Plan Update Project

Board of Park Commission February 10th, 2021

Task Force Recommendations - 2020

- 1. The City should provide Municipal Golf in Madison Parks.
- 2. The City should remove the enterprise fund designation from its golf courses.
- The City should update the mission of the golf program.
- 4. The City should issue a Request for Proposals to evaluate the option of a private of non-profit operator for Monona and establish a plan and timeline to eliminate eighteen holes at Yahara Hills.
- 5. The City should work with the University of Wisconsin, including the OJ Noer Ag Research Station, to develop Integrated Pest Management protocols that are at the forefront of managing public golf courses sustainably.
- 6. The City should work to promote positive ecological outcomes at the golf courses through reducing reliance on limited natural resources and providing ecological assets.
- 7. The City should work with stakeholders and staff to develop a specific action plan to promote equity and inclusion at all courses.
- 8. The City should work with Residents, stakeholders, and partners to promote wider utilization by the community of the golf courses to better integrate the courses into the wider park system for uses other than golf.
- 9. The City should ensure that if City resources are used to invest in capital projects at golf courses it is done in an equitable and fiscally responsible manner to reduce negative impact on park services across the system.
- 10. The City should not sell park land to fund capital improvements of the golf courses.

Project Overview

The goal of the project is to implement the vision of the Task Force at Glenway Golf Course. The project would improve the golf course, park, environment, and community and is made possible by a generous donation from Michael and Jocelyn Keiser and with the support of the Madison Parks Foundation.

1. Master Plan Design Team

To propose an Updated Master Plan for Glenway Golf Course that is consistent with the Task Force on Municipal Golf recommendations that is funded through a significant private donation.

2. Ecological Resources Team

To assist the Design Team with ecologically based land management planning that promotes more natural areas into the Master Plan and to assist Parks staff in developing a sustainable land management plan that enhances the environmental benefits (e.g. stormwater retention, pollinator habitat) of the park property.

3. Program and Park User Team

➤ To assist the Design Team in park amenity planning to enhance diverse use of the park and to develop an operational programming plan that promotes enhanced use of the park (e.g. Sunday afternoons at the park, movies in the park) and provides equitable and affordable access to the golf course.

4. Turfgrass Science Team

▶ To assist the Design Team on turf management matters and to assist Parks staff in developing an Operating and Maintenance Plan that provides quality playing conditions and reduces reliance on resource inputs.

Madison Parks collaboration with UW-Madison Turfgrass Science Program

Construction phase

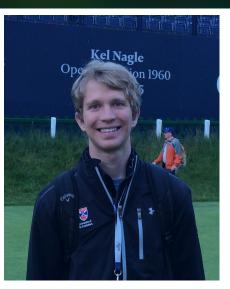
Assist with grass species selection Assist with soil root zone selection for greens

Management phase

Develop long-term resource use efficiency management plan to:

- * Increase water use efficiency
- * Reduce pesticide risk
- * Minimize carbon emissions and promote sequestration
- * Optimize fertilizer efficacy





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Expertise:

- Golf course resource use
- Carbon cycling
- Pesticide risk analysis



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Expertise:

- Turfgrass ecology
- Golf course soils
- Nutrient and water management

Timeline & Meetings

- ▶ Introduction to Golf Subcommittee January 28th
- Introduction to Board of Park Commissioners February 10th
- Public Input Meeting February 17th
- Golf Subcommittee February 22nd
- Introduction to Common Council March 3rd
- Finance Committee March 8th
- ▶ Board of Park Commissioners March 10th
- Common Council March 16th
- Goal of April construction start
- Continue to operate 63 holes of Golf for the 2021 season
- Short term closure of Glenway Golf Course for 2021