



COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT Economic Opportunities Committee

Date: *May 11, 2015*

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Review and consider a 50-year license agreement with DECKER LAKE GOLF, LLC to provide funding, design, development, management, and maintenance services for a golf course at Walter E. Long Metropolitan Park. (Notes: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation. Goals will be established in future construction phases.) (Purchasing)

Public Testimony:

Barbara Metzger
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Warren Hayes
Roy Waley
Richard Franklin
Victor Reed
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Presentation:

Kevin Gomillion, Division Manager, Austin Parks Golf Division
Sara Hensley, Director, Parks & Recreation Department

Motion by Vice Chair Houston, seconded by Pool, 4-0 passage

Recommendation to council: refer proposed changes to the contract language to the full Council for discussion.

Chairman Troxclair proposed changes to contract language. Those proposed changes to the contract language and revenue structure include adding an additional 1% to each tier of the revenue structure in the initial proposal. The second change is charge a \$5 ticket fee for all events held on the premises. Both the additional 1% and all fees for ticket sales will create a separate fund to be used for economic development in East Austin. This fund would be separate from all existing funds in the Economic Development department.

Clarification: Committee action does not imply final support of the item proposal for development of the Decker Lake Golf Course, but rather support for the changes to the contract regarding revenue structure in the event the golf course is approved.