

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

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1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Parks and Recreation; authorizing the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation to enter into a five-year agreement, with options to extend, with Lost Evenings to operate and provide management of the Green Lake Pitch & Putt at Green Lake Park.

Summary and Background of the Legislation:

The proposed Council Bill authorizes the Superintendent of Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) to execute for and on behalf of SPR a new five-year Concessions Agreement with Lost Evenings LLC (“Lost Evenings”) for Green Lake Pitch & Putt to operate a nine-hole, par-three course for pitching and putting, as well as providing recreational golf programming, and hosting community events. The proposed legislation also authorizes an option to extend the initial term of the agreement for two additional five-year terms.

The Green Lake Pitch & Putt facility is owned by the City of Seattle and located at the south end of Green Lake Park at 5701 W Green Lake Way North, Seattle. The facility has a rich history with the last operator at the site for over four decades. In anticipation of that agreement ending, SPR engaged in an RFP process in early 2024 to seek a partner to operate and program the facility. In the interim, Lost Evenings has been utilizing this space to offer outdoor recreation and programming for the community through an agreement with SPR, while a separate operator was under a temporary lease to manage the golf facility. Through the process, Lost Evenings was chosen as the successful bidder.

Green Lake Pitch & Putt is open 8 months a year, from March through October. As part of the new agreement, Lost Evenings will pay a minimum of 10% of revenue or \$26,000, whichever is greater, for the eight-month annual operating period. In addition, they will also make the following contributions as outlined in the agreement:

- Provide the necessary ADA restroom upgrade for participants as the current restroom has limitations for individuals using a mobility device by the third year of operation under this agreement. Lost Evenings will fund the ADA upgrades including planning and oversight of the upgrade, in coordination with SPR’s Planning and Capital Development staff.
- Transition to electric leaf blowers by 2027 for grounds and facility maintenance in compliance with citywide priorities. All other pieces of small equipment such as lawn mowers, weed trimmers, etc. will be transitioned to electric as they are replaced.

- Promote approved concession sales at Green Lake Pitch & Putt Pro Shop.
- Host events throughout the season to engage the community to take part in Pitch & Putt activities and build community. Examples include: Golf For Non-Golfers, Social Scramble, Business League, and Kids Golf Camp.

Note that while this legislation authorizes the concession agreement and subsequent collection of concession fees, it does not result in material financial changes to SPR's 2025 Adopted Budget which already assumes revenues from the long history of concessions at this facility.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Notes: SPR does not anticipate that the new concession agreement with Lost Evenings will have material financial impacts on the 2025 Adopted Budget as the budget already assumes concession revenues at this facility.

3.d. Other Impacts

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle, including direct or indirect, one-time or ongoing costs, that are not included in Sections 3.a through 3.c? If so, please describe these financial impacts.

N/A

If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.

N/A

Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.

Having a concessionaire on site helps to activate the park positively, enhances park visitors experience by providing recreation programming options and provides an eye on the facility on a more continuous basis. If the legislation is not implemented, SPR does not have funding to activate the Green Lake Pitch and Putt facility and related programming. In addition, Lost Evenings pays 10% of gross revenue or \$26,000, annually, whichever is greater, for the use and operations of this facility, so by not implementing this legislation SPR would not receive this additional revenue. Throughout the contract, they are also responsible for the golf course and

grounds maintenance of the facility, and if this legislation was not implemented, SPR staff would have to maintain this facility.

Please describe how this legislation may affect any City departments other than the originating department.

N/A

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No

b. Is publication of notice with The Daily Journal of Commerce and/or The Seattle Times required for this legislation?

No

c. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

The legislation is for the Green Lake Pitch & Putt at 5701 East Green Lake Way, Seattle, Washington 98103. Environmental review for this legislation was not necessary.

d. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.

i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.

N/A

ii. Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.

The Seattle Parks and Recreation staff running the Request for Proposal process strived to bring RSJI to the front of all process implementation and decision making. The RFP was advertised across numerous media outlets, non-profit organizations, and collaborative groups that support Women and Minority Owned Business Enterprise vendors.

iii. What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?

N/A

e. Climate Change Implications

i. Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.

N/A

- ii. **Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle’s resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**

N/A

- f. **If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program’s desired goal(s)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**

No

- g. **Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?**

No

5. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments:

Summary Attachment A – Map of Green Lake Pitch & Putt