

ORDINANCE 3244

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA REPEALING TITLE 2, CHAPTER 12, SECTIONS 010 - 050 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS (OCCGF) AND THEREBY DISSOLVING THE GOLF ADVISORY BOARD

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WHEREAS, on February 2, 1993, the City Commission adopted Ordinance 2648 that created the Golf Advisory Board, with the intention that the City would realize a direct benefit from the formation of an advisory board, directly involved in the operation and management of the municipal golf courses; and

WHEREAS, the two municipal golf courses operated at a deficit from 2004 through 2018. The “at-risk” golf fund required significant taxpayer subsidies to operate. It was suggested that the City may not be able to support two public courses, and may not have the expertise, depth of experience, and general wherewithal to operate two courses; and

WHEREAS, after several scenarios were vetted, including closing Anaconda Hills Golf Course, a Request for Proposals was issued on August 24, 2018. The Commission awarded an Anaconda Hills Golf Course and Eagle Falls Golf Club Management Agreement to CourseCo, Inc. d/b/a Great Falls Golf, LLC, on December 18, 2018; and

WHEREAS, since that time, CourseCo, Inc. has provided numerous opportunities for cost savings, generated new revenues in many areas, made several improvements to the courses, and has returned significant revenue to the City annually. The City Commission approved extensions to the management agreement with CourseCo, Inc, through January 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City no longer operating and managing the municipal courses has eliminated the original intent, purpose and need for a Golf Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, at its March 28, 2022, meeting, the Golf Advisory Board voted unanimously to dissolve the Golf Advisory Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA:

Section 1. The Golf Advisory Board is hereby dissolved, and OCCGF Title 2, Chapter 12, Sections 010 – 050 are hereby repealed as depicted by Exhibit “A” attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein, with deleted language identified by ~~strikeout~~; and

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after second reading and final adoption by the City Commission.

ACCEPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana on first reading May 17, 2022.

ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana on second reading June 7, 2022.

Bob Kelly, Mayor

ATTEST:

(CITY SEAL)

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:

Jeffrey M. Hindoiem, City Attorney

State of Montana)
County of Cascade : ss
City of Great Falls)

I, Lisa Kunz, City Clerk of the City of Great Falls, Montana, do certify that I did post as required by law and as prescribed and directed by the Commission, Ordinance 3244 on the Great Falls Civic Center posting board and the Great Falls City website.

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(CITY SEAL)

ORDINANCE 3244 – EXHIBIT “A”

Title 2 - ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL

Chapter 12 GOLF ADVISORY BOARD

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Sections:

2.12.010 Creation.

A Golf Advisory Board is hereby created which shall hereafter be referred to in this Chapter as "Board."

(Ord. 3169, 2017).

2.12.020 Purpose.

The purpose of the Board shall be to consult with and advise the City Commission, City Manager, and Parks and Recreation Department staff on all matters related to the operation of the municipal golf courses.

(Ord. 3169, 2017).

2.12.030 Memberships.

The Board shall consist of five (5) members who shall be appointed by the City Commission. Membership will consist of one (1) member representing the City's Men's Golf Associations, one (1) member representing the City's Women's Golf Association, one (1) member representing Malmstrom Air Force Base, and two (2) members representing non-league golfers. The Chairman of the Park and Recreation Board or a designated representative from the Board will be an ex officio member of the Board. All members must be qualified electors.

(Ord. 3169, 2017).

2.12.040 Terms.

The term of office of each member of the Board shall be three (3) years from and after March 1, of the year in which the member is appointed, except two (2) members of the first Board who shall hold office for a period of two (2) years from and after the first day of March 1, 1993.

(Ord. 3169, 2017).

2.12.050 Duties.

The Board shall serve in an advisory capacity regarding the operation of the municipal golf courses, specifically regarding:

- A. Fees and charges, tournament requests policies, procedures, and rules;
- B. Capital improvements or projects;
- C. Promotion of usage at the golf courses; and
- D. All other matters relating to the golf courses which may be assigned or requested by the City Commission or the City Manager.

(Ord. 3244, 2022; Ord. 3169, 2017).