

Rundle Golf Course

Exploration of Operation Options

Recommendation

That the June 16, 2021, Citizen Services report CS00224, be received for information.

Previous Council/Committee Action

At the December 2, 2020, Community and Public Services Committee, the following motion was passed:

That Administration report on the necessary steps to transition operation of Rundle Golf Course to a new operator, based on a revenue sharing model with the City and to keep adequate public access to golf.

Report

This motion will be addressed in the June 22, 2021, Office of the City Manager report OCM00503, Reimagine Services Update. The notion of exploring the opportunity to work with a third-party operator for Rundle Golf Course was put forward as part of a business case of the City's Reimagine Services review.

Specifically, Reimagine Services Update report, OCM00503, to be presented to City Council on June 22, 2021, will provide details on the recommendation to outsource the operations of the City's three golf courses, including Rundle. Early work from the Reimagine process determined that Rundle Golf Course's operations should be considered only as part of a bundled third-party service provision option (meaning all three courses should be considered as part of one contract). The December 2, 2020, motion to conduct similar work for this report aligned with the Reimagine business case and the findings have been fully incorporated in the Reimagine report.

As part of the Reimagine business case development, engagement with potential golf industry third-party operators was conducted through market sounding. Those involved who participated were generally receptive to the idea of operating a City golf course but requested more information on current City operations. Any recommendation or action from the Reimagine report will fulfill the above motion made and therefore, Administration did not embark on independent work outside the Reimagine process.