## **GOLF OPERATIONS UPDATE**

APRIL 28, 2023





### **PURPOSE – NO ACTION**

Provide the Board of Directors with an update of golf operations for 2023 and winter impacts

### **CURRENT STATUS**

#### THE COURSE IS BURIED

- All the greens were cleared by April 15
  - The exposed turf looks good with subterranean growth already underway
- The practice green was cleared on April 17
- Currently working on clearing cart paths, but it is a multi-step process
  - First, the path route needs to be brought down to 2-3 ft on snow with a groomer
  - Then a medium-sized piece of snow removal equipment will be used to blow the paths down to the blacktop



### **NINTH GREEN**



Approach



Looking back towards the tee box

### FOURTEENTH GREEN

Approximately 13 feet of snow



### **OPERATIONS IMPACT**

#### Target opening day of May 26 will not happen

- It is too early to determine an estimated opening day, but current assumptions are mid-June, at the earliest
- Staff will consider opening nine holes when possible, followed by the remaining nine as conditions permit
- The Driving Range opening will be delayed as well. The nets are swapped between winter and summer and that will happen when the turf is stable enough to support the heavy equipment



#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

There will be revenue and cost impacts as a result of the extreme snowpack

- REVENUES Early season revenues are not nearly as significant as July, August and September revenues, but if course conditions do not allow for full operations and core season pricing by July, the impacts become far more significant
- COSTS Season opening delays will result in some early spring labor savings, however, other unbudgeted expenses will be incurred
  - Heavy use of snow removal equipment including groomers and blowers
  - Mulch to spread on the snow to assist with melt off
  - Labor costs to catch up on course preparation

Staff will provide more detail on the financial impact once we have a more accurate projected opening date (revenue) and realize the costs of the winter impacts



# THANK YOU

