



City of Nampa Business Item

TO: Mayor and Council

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SUBJECT: **Action Item:** Authorize Nampa Parks and Recreation to increase user fees for Parks, Recreation Programming, Harward Recreation Center, City Golf Courses and City Cemetery and accept policy changes as proposed.

- **Action Item:** Authorize Mayor to sign Resolution authorizing fee increases for the Nampa Parks and Recreation Center Fees, Park Fees, Cemetery Fees, Ridgecrest Golf Club Fees, and Centennial Golf Course Fees effective November 5, 2024.

Background Summary:

The Parks and Recreation Department goal is to have reasonable and competitive fees while allowing for maximum participation. We strive to meet our financial obligations by promoting conservative spending and adjusting the cost of services as appropriate.

Attached is the Nampa Parks and Recreation Department proposed fee schedule. All Parks and Recreation Division fees are listed in the schedule that include Parks, Recreation Programming, Cemetery, Harward Recreation Center and Golf. All Parks and Recreation fees are listed for review, but not all fees are proposed for an increase.

Reason For the Project:

Recommended fees are based on staff input and determining the objective of each program and service. When determining proposed fees, staff evaluate revenue and expenses and future capital projects. In some cases, when setting fees, data from other communities or similar organizations are considered as comparisons. Comparison data for the recreation center, golf and cemetery are attached for review. The proposed golf fees were approved by the Nampa Golf Commission.

Parks and Recreation Fees - Summary and Reasons to Increase User Fees:

- Some contractors raising program fees for their services.
- Increased staff costs to provide services.

- Market comparisons with other like entities.
- Effort to not increase the tax subsidy of the programs.

Golf - Summary and Reasons to Increase User Fees:

- The Nampa Golf Courses are competitively priced compared to other golf courses in the Treasure Valley. Opportunity to increase fees without being above market value.
- For the next 10 years, the golf courses will have an annual payment of about \$300,000 each year for the purchase of the golf courses.
- Large capital expenses are planned that include, but not limited to, an irrigation system for Centennial Golf Course.
- The cost of labor has increased significantly in the last several years.
- To ensure golf fees cover the cost of golf services and prevent city subsidizing golf services.

Recreation Center – Summary and Reasons to Increase User Fees:

- Competitively priced compared to facilities such as the YMCA.
- Need to increase the recreation center fund balance to plan and prepare for capital projects.
- The cost of labor has increased significantly in the last several years.

Cemetery - Summary and Reasons to Increase User Fees:

- Increased costs in workforce
- Closer to the market value for comparable services at other comparable cemeteries.
- Efforts to prevent escalated tax subsidy for cemetery services.

In addition to the fee schedule, policies for golf, the Harward Recreation Center, and cemetery are attached for review.

Funding/Project Costs:

N/A

Staff Recommendation:

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Attachments:

- Proposed fees, comparisons and policies
- Proposed Resolution