

## **The Future of Tucson City Golf – Silverbell Golf Club Position**

The Board of Directors and members of the Silverbell Golf Club urge all area golfers to join them in supporting Tucson city golf by contacting city officials and voicing opposition to the “repurposing” of the city golf courses.

The city has developed a series of “Options for Assets,” which spell out various possible options for the courses. While the multiple options vary on a course by course basis, options for three of the five courses include complete elimination. The exception is the Randolph complex, where complete elimination is not a listed option.

At the other end of the option spectrum is an option “A” which would keep the courses as they are, but would open the courses to “periphery development”, additional uses, such as Frisbee golf and foot golf and allowing walking on the courses in the mornings and evenings.

**The Silverbell Golf Club strongly supports a modified version of OPTION A: Namely, maintain the courses as they currently are with the possible addition of considering NON-INTERFERING, synergistic periphery development**

### **A. Keep as 18-hole golf course**

- Consider periphery development (non-interfering)
- ~~Consider additional uses (like Frisbee golf and foot golf)~~
- ~~Allow walking in early mornings and evenings~~

Recognizing the ongoing financial issues facing city golf, particularly in light of projected capital funding issues for the courses, city golf should be viewed not as a self-supporting enterprise, but as a significant community service and an economic draw. As such, is it unreasonable to support this asset with modest additional funding from the General Fund, if needed? There are other community services provided by the city that receive significant funds from the General Fund and are not required to “pay for themselves.” City golf should be considered as one such service.

The Silverbell Golf Club asks for your help in supporting city golf. Please get involved by staying informed and contacting city officials. More information and a list of contacts may be found on the Silverbell Golf Club website at [www.silverbellgolfclub.org](http://www.silverbellgolfclub.org) under the “News” item entitled: “City Officials Consider Closing Golf Courses.” Please use the “Contact SGC” form on the website to contact the Club.

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