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To: Board of Park Commissioners, Finance Committee and Common Council

From: Eric Knepp, Parks Superintendent

Subject: Donation & Construction Agreements with Madison Parks Foundation

Following a year of construction, the work on The Glen Golf Park is nearing completion. The course redesign, construction and re-envisioning work has been critical to moving forward with implementing the [Final Recommendations](#) from the Task Force on Municipal Golf in Madison Parks in a real and meaningful way. The ongoing project is a major privately funded investment in the course that will improve playing conditions for all levels of players, improve environmental sustainability, focus on inclusivity, increase public access to the course for a variety of recreational activities, and will ultimately serve as a model for addressing the issues that municipal golf in Madison and across the country has faced over the past decade. This is an incredibly exciting opportunity for the entire community.

As discussed with the Board of Park Commissioners at the April 13, 2022 meeting, the Parks Division has an opportunity to once again partner with the Madison Parks Foundation to continue investments in the course facilities through a privately sponsored partnership. The Parks Division is interested in entering into a Donation Agreement and Construction Agreement with Madison Parks Foundation "MPF" that would allow MPF to partner with local licensed trades organizations led by Supreme Structures, through grassroots efforts to improve the clubhouse facilities. The proposed project will utilize primarily donated labor and materials to make significant improvements to the clubhouse interior and roof. Conceptual renderings were shared at a [Public Information Meeting](#) on May 4, 2022. The proposed plan will address the following:

- Visual Updates to building interior, replace windows and roof
- Focus on accessibility: ADA compliant restrooms, service window
- Showcase history of the land, course, neighborhood
- Friends of The Glen donor recognition on interior spaces
- Ample retail space
- Enhances customer experience
- Incorporates Brand Identity & Style throughout

The project will not address exterior painting needs and replacement of rotted wood and painting of the pergola. However, staff will be making these repairs in the coming month. Both the work of staff and the proposed project will be consistent with the newly unveiled visual branding identity of The Glen Golf Park.

Once these improvements are complete, The Glen Golf Park should be well-situated for decades to come and will serve as a multi-use recreational and social gathering facility. The project allows for continued responsible stewardship of the land and facilities and furthers the implementation of the recommendations from the Task Force on Municipal Golf. It is critical that the Board of Park Commissioners, Finance Committee and Common Council support this proposal, as this will truly benefit the parks system, while complementing the generous gift that was granted through the course redesign and construction without obligating resources from other projects.