

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: **ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS** Authorizing the execution of a five-year operators agreement with Alling Memorial Golf Club, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2021 to manage the Alling Memorial Golf Course and the associated five-year fee schedule. (Director of Parks, Recreation, and Trees)

REPORT: 1524-08

ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

Alling Memorial Golf Club, Inc. has managed the Alling Memorial Golf Course for the past 20 years. Under its management, the golf course continues to have rates at and below near market competitors, while operating with net positive revenue and improving playing conditions. In 2016, the Golf Course Advisory Board unanimously selected Alling Memorial Golf Club, Inc. to continue operating the golf course from two qualified bidders through a Request for Proposals process.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Each year the course has a positive result of operations that allows the City to cover all debt service payments and make additional upgrades to the facility.

The contract will be very similar to the existing terms with the following exceptions:

- Will include an updated menu at the clubhouse
- Will require a course ranger at peak play times to enforce the rate of play
- Will require the City to provide adequate trailer space for bathrooms, vending, and office during the construction of a new clubhouse
- Will update the five-year fee schedule to reflect current market conditions.

The vast majority of the course is in East Haven, but the 2015 comprehensive plan continues to designate the small portion within New Haven for institutional use.

ADVICE

The Commission finds the Order in the best interest of the City and recommends approval.

ADOPTED: November 16, 2016
Edward Mattison
Chair

ATTEST: 
Karyn M. Gilvarg, AIA
Executive Director