



## TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTOR STAFF REPORT

**AGENDA TITLE:** Tahoe City Golf Course Capital Funding Request – Winter Sports Park Enhancements

**MEETING DATE:** November 30, 2017

**PREPARED BY:** Kevin Smith, General Manager

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends the Board of Directors allocate \$150,000 to participate with other Tahoe City Golf Course ownership partners in funding improvements to facilitate the addition of an ice rink to the Winter Sports Park at the Tahoe City Golf Course. The Tahoe City PUD has requested \$250,000 from the District.

**DISCUSSION:** In 2012 the District participated with Placer County, the Tahoe City Public Utility District (TCPUD), and the North Lake Tahoe Resort Association (NLTRA) to purchase the Tahoe City Golf Course. The District contributed \$500,000 to the acquisition. At that time the private owners of the Golf Course were not interested in continuing the operation of the golf course and were interested in selling or developing the property. To prevent the potential loss of the golf amenity as well as the threat of development of the property, the District worked with the partners mentioned above to acquire the property to move it from private ownership to public ownership. The District's main focus in participating on the acquisition was to facilitate the construction of an emergency service heliport and to preserve the fairways and open space as an emergency landing area for distressed aircraft.

Since acquisition, the District has been an active member of the Oversight Committee which works diligently to assure the goals of the funding partners are realized and to assist in management and oversight of the property. The Golf Course is considered an Airport District resource and asset. While the Tahoe City PUD has fee title ownership of the property, the TTAD as well as the other funding partners have a specified written agreement between agencies regarding the maintenance and use of the property. As such, the continued viability and sustainability of the recreation amenities at the Golf Course are important to protecting the

stated District interest in originally acquiring the property. Assisting the funding partners to facilitate the construction and operation of the Ice Rink enhances the viability and contributes to the long term success of the golf course and winter sports park uses. There is also real benefit to Lake Tahoe Basin constitutes who use the recreation amenities and facilities on the property.

The other 3 funding partners have committed the following funds to the project:

- NLTRA - \$300,000
- Placer County Parks - \$100,000
- TCPUD - \$222,312 plus operating subsidy
- Private and Nonprofit donors -\$115,500

Total project cost is \$987,812.

It should be noted that due to fact that the District has an ownership interest in the Tahoe City Golf Course and written use agreement, this request typically would not fall under PI-311 Community Sponsorships & Public Agency Partnerships Policy.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The TCPUD is requesting \$250,000 from the District as their suggested contribution level. The District currently has \$1,000,000 allocated to Community Annoyance and Outreach Projects in the District's Unrestricted Net Asset fund for FY2017. The Board would need to allocate funds from this designation to facilitate the request. Staff recommends allocating \$150,000 but would support the Board should they decide to contribute more funding.

**SAMPLE MOTION(S):** I move to (approve, deny, continue) the request to participate with the Tahoe City Golf Course ownership partners which include NLTRA, TCPUD, and Placer County to fund improvements to the property to facilitate the addition of an ice rink to the Winter Sports Park. I move to allocate (\$ state amount) to this project.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Letter from TCPUD

Funding Summary