

Edwin M. Lee, Mayor Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager

Date:

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To:

Recreation and Park Commission

From:

Katie Petrucione, Director of Administration and Finance

Re:

Supplemental Appropriation Request for the 2015 WGC Match Play Tournament

### **Agenda Item Wording**

Discussion and possible action to approve a supplemental appropriation request to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors in the amount of \$1.3 million to support the 2015 World Golf Championship Match Play Tournament at TPC Harding Park Golf Course.

#### Background

On July 2, 2014 the City announced its intention to revise its master tournament agreement with the PGA Tour. The revised agreement will bring three new golf tournaments to TPC Harding Park, the World Golf Championship (WGC) from April 27 through May 3, 2015, the PGA Championship in 2020 and the President's Cup in 2025. The 2015 WGC Match Play Tournament will be in a pool format with a field of the world's top 64 golfers.

The PGA Tour has agreed to pay the Recreation and Park Department (RPD) up to \$1.3 million to fund the costs of hosting the WGC tournament and to repay revenue lost during the closure of the golf course for approximately three weeks leading up to and during the tournament. During the tournament, the TPC Harding organization will provide catering to the players, officials and guests using the clubhouse.

The City decided to bring the 2015 WGC tournament to San Francisco after the department had completed its budget for FY '14-'15. In order to establish appropriation authority for the revenue and expenses associated with the tournament RPD must ask the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors to approve a supplemental appropriation to amend the '14-'15 budget.

### **Tournament Scope of Work**

Preparation for the 2015 tournament began in July and requires the department to complete a significant amount of work in a short period of time. The scope of work leading to the tournament includes rebuilding the nine bunkers at Fleming, resodding the practice driving range at Fleming, weed removal, kikuyu grass removal, fairway top dressing and overseeding and extensive tree work at both Harding and Fleming. The Harding agronomy staff, including gardeners, plumbers, truck drivers, operating engineers and arborists, must accomplish the majority of these tasks before the start of the rainy season in November. The compressed schedule will require staff to undertake much of this work on overtime.

The week of the WGC tournament, the Harding crew will work an estimated 330 hours of overtime daily, watering the course, repairing damage, such as divots, from the day's play and moving holes. After the tournament ends, staff will restore the areas of the course affected by the PGA Tour's hospitality facilities.

# Summary of Supplemental

The supplemental appropriation will be in the amount of \$1.3 million. The proposed budget is:

Total	\$1 300,000
Total Material and Supplies	\$260,000
Championship Expenditures	\$10,000
IPM	\$10,000
Agronomy	\$240,000
Material and Supplies	
Services	\$68,000
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$472,000
Backfill Lost Revenue	\$500,000

## **Next Steps**

The department will submit the supplemental ordinance to the Mayor's Office for approval and then introduce the ordinance at the Board of Supervisors in November.

## Recommendation

RPD staff recommends that the Commission approve the supplemental appropriation request to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors.

## **Support**

PGA Tour PGA of America TPC Harding

### **Opposition**

None known.