



Report Number: C2019-1468

Meeting: Combined Meeting of Council

Meeting Date: 2019 November 18

NOTICE OF MOTION

RE: Golf Course Operations Request for Proposal

Sponsoring Councillor(s): Ward Sutherland, Jeff Davison, Jyoti Gondek, Peter Demong, Diane Colley-Urquhart, Shane Keating, George Chahal, Ray Jones, Joe Magliocca, Sean Chu, Jeromy Farkas

WHEREAS municipal golf courses have been part of the recreational and cultural landscape of Calgary for the last 104 years;

AND WHEREAS The City of Calgary, through the Golf Course Operations (GCO) division of Calgary Recreation, operates seven municipal golf courses, with 90 holes and three driving ranges at five locations;

AND WHEREAS until 2012, GCO was self-supporting in both operating and capital with revenues funding all direct operating costs as well as an annual \$200 thousand mill-rate contribution;

AND WHEREAS operational and capital funding challenges resulted in ongoing tax support from 2012 to present;

AND WHEREAS operationally, there has been an emerging concern as result of a disconnect between prevailing market and public sector wages;

AND WHEREAS contracting out the management of golf operations may offer the opportunity to bring operational salaries and wages in line with the prevailing market and reduce or eliminate the tax support required by the City of Calgary;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council:

1. Direct Administration to develop a Request For Proposal (RFP) and go to market to secure a long-term management contract for the operations and service provision of all City of Calgary golf courses.
2. Direct Administration to develop a scope of work to deliver an RFP to the market and report back to Council through the SPC on Community and Protective Services no later than early Q1 2020 with a timeline and funding recommendation required to create, administer and evaluate and RFP process.

