CITY OF CONCORD



REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: David Gill, Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: February 25, 2022

SUBJECT: Donation towards the new tracked cx groomer (CIP#515)

Recommendation:

Accept this report and funding resolution and set for a public hearing.

Background

The department has been working with the cross-country ski community for the past year and a half to fundraise money towards the cost of a new tracked groomer to greatly improve the ski trails at the Beaver Meadow Golf Course. The cross-country group presented their plan to both the Recreation and Parks and Golf Course Advisory Committee in 2019. Both committees where in support of the three-phase plan to make Beaver Meadow Golf Course a first-class cross-country winter destination. The first phase is to work with the City to fundraise 50% of the cost to buy the tracked groomer, phase 2 is to add snowmaking and the third phase would to look at adding lights for some of the ski trails.

The new groomer will cost between \$120,000 for a used machine to \$150,000 for a new one.

Discussion

As part of the groups fundraising efforts they have held several events and recently we received a \$13,000 anonymous donation to be used to help purchase the new groomer. With this generous donation the group has raised just over \$55,000 in private donations.