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## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Brian LeBrun, Deputy City Manager – Finance

**DATE:** June 24, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Golf Course Facility Assessment

### **Recommendation**

Accept this report and approve the attached resolutions as recommended by the Ad-Hoc Beaver Meadow Golf Course Clubhouse Subcommittee.

### **Background**

The City Council recognizes the need to replace or make improvements to Beaver Meadow Golf clubhouse, parking lot, walkways and surrounding areas. At its regular City Council meeting in April 2021, the Mayor appointed the Ad-Hoc Beaver Meadow Golf Course Clubhouse Subcommittee to review and make a recommendation on the facility.

### **Discussion**

Beaver Meadow Golf Course was established in 1896 and is celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary in July 2021. The course was purchased by the City of Concord in 1930 and was expanded into an 18 hole course starting in 1966 and completed in 1968.

The most recent major renovation to the clubhouse was in 1987. While maintenance has taken place since the latest renovation project, the facility is now in desperate need of significant improvements or replacement of the building. The City Council has considered upgrades to the window's, doors, and bathrooms and after continued review and realizing the extent of the upgrades needed, it was decided to prepare a more thorough review of the whole facility and surrounding grounds and make a comprehensive recommendation on repair or replacement.

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In addition to the clubhouse and surrounding grounds, the parking lot is also in need of complete replacement.

In addition to facility improvement for golf operations, the New Hampshire Golf Association has expressed significant interest in locating their state Headquarters at Beaver Meadow. They believe Beaver Meadow as a municipal golf course is a good fit for their organization and operations and if possible, would like to be a paying tenant in a new or expanded facility.

The attached resolution requesting \$12,500 for a facility assessment will enable the Ad-hoc committee to prepare a thorough recommendation to the City Council for Beaver Meadow clubhouse and surrounding facility.