



**Date:** January 26, 2016  
**To:** Patrick H. West, City Manager *T.M.W.*  
**From:** Stephen P. Scott, Interim Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine *SPS*  
**For:** Mayor and Members of the City Council  
**Subject:** Proposed Trial of "FootGolf" at Recreation Park South Golf Course

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Since 1984, the American Golf Corporation (AGC) has operated the City's five golf courses with great success. AGC has been at the forefront of many innovative ideas to maximize the courses as an asset for residents. AGC has proposed a 6-month trial of "FootGolf" at Recreation Park South GC (the City's 9-hole, executive course commonly referred to as "Little Rec"). The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) supports this trial as a way to offer additional recreational opportunities and as a potential driver of incremental revenue.

FootGolf is a combination of golf and soccer. FootGolfers tee off from a set location or tee box, and play holes between 100-300 yards in length to a 2½-foot hole cut in the "rough" away from the putting green. FootGolf is gaining popularity in the United States and Europe. The Federation of International FootGolf World Cup was conducted last week in Argentina, with 16 of the 230 competitors coming from the United States.

AGC has already successfully tried FootGolf at two of its facilities outside of Long Beach, and the Cities of Oxnard and San Diego have also successfully implemented FootGolf at some of their shorter municipal courses. Because of its length and elevation changes, and because it hosts the fewest rounds of golf of all of the City courses, Little Rec is considered an ideal location for an afternoon FootGolf trial.

The AGC proposal would begin with a public meeting at the golf course clubhouse on Thursday, January 28, at 6:00 p.m., to show interested parties what FootGolf is, and how it would be conducted at Little Rec. The current proposal, which was endorsed by the PRM Golf Advisory Committee, proposes that FootGolfers could play Little Rec after noon, every day of the week, for the current Twilight Golf Rate. Assuming positive feedback is received at the public meeting, the proposed start date for the FootGolf trial would be Monday, February 15.

Should you have any questions, please contact Stephen Scott at 570-3170.

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CC: Charles Parkin, City Attorney  
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YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING REGARDING

# FOOTGOLF

Join us at the Recreation Park South 9 Clubhouse  
to ask questions or show your support.

**JANUARY 28TH, 2016 | 6:00 P.M.**



#### **WHAT IS FOOTGOLF?**

It's a fun new hybrid sport combining the skills of both soccer and golf, and Rec 9 wants to build a FootGolf course!

**REC PARK SOUTH** wants to introduce FootGolf to Long Beach by developing a FootGolf course onto our existing 9-hole golf course - allowing FootGolf rounds to be played along with traditional golf.

We're excited to support this new, family-friendly sport, and we want to answer all your questions about it! On Jan. 28, join us to show your support and learn all about FootGolf at Rec 9!

#### **COME KICK IT WITH US!**

**QUESTIONS? CALL US AT**  
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