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DATE: July 11, 2022 **ACTION:**

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Sr. Member Services Manager

RE: APPROVAL – Revise Rule GC.3.8 Replace Divots, Rake Bunkers and Repair Ball Marks, As Needed

Background

The Greens Committee met on May 12 to discuss the issue of divots not being filled by golfers on the golf course. The committee is recommending the proposed rule change as many of the golf carts used on the golf course by homeowners do not have sand bottles. Consequently, they are not able to fill their divots with sand. The sand protects the exposed roots from the elements allowing the grass to regrow in a few days. A divot, if not repaired (filled with sand) creates an indentation causing uneven surfaces all over the fairway.

The Tuesday Work Group (TWG) has a sanding crew that fills as many divots on the tees and in the fairways as time will allow every Tuesday. About 70 golfers, organized by the TWG, have had two Sanding Parties on Maintenance Monday so far in 2022. They were able to complete all 18 holes and fill approximately 2,500+ divots.

Sand bottles would be available to purchase in the Pro Shop at cost.

Fiscal Impact

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve to revise rule GC.3.8 as attached.



Cory Gorham, Sr. Member Services Manager

Current Rule

GC.3.8 Replace Divots, Rake Bunkers and Repair Ball Marks, As Needed

Divots on tees and fairways must be replaced, bunkers raked and ball marks on greens repaired. This rule applies to all golfers - walking or using golf carts.

Proposed Revision (Redlined)

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Revised Rule

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