

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**ITEM \_\_\_\_\_**

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

**99-025**

**SYNOPSIS -**

**AGENDA:**

JANUARY 25, 1999

Authorize staff to submit a grant application to the Prairie Meadows Race Track and Casino for funds to offset fee reductions for senior citizens who play golf at City of Des Moines golf courses.

**SUBJECT:**

PRAIRIE MEADOWS  
GRANT - GOLF  
COURSES

**FISCAL IMPACT -**

New, non-matching revenues in the amount of \$30,000 to fund reduction of \$2/round in senior golf green fees, badge irrigation, and private golf cart daily trail use.

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE**

**RECOMMENDATION -**

**Approve the proposed resolution and permit staff to proceed with submitting a grant application to Prairie Meadows Race Track and Casino.**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

DONALD TRIPP  
PARK AND  
RECREATION  
DIRECTOR

**BACKGROUND -**

Senior citizens of Des Moines who are 62 years of age and older receive discounts at many business establishments, including public golf courses. The practice, when extended to City recreational programs, has encouraged increased participation and contributed to the health and well-being of older citizens. To eliminate the impact on golf revenues, the City has obtained grants the past three golf seasons to replace the revenues lost when senior discounts on golf greens fees, badge irrigation charges, and daily cart trail use have been made available to senior players

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