

# Sun Lakes HOA-2 Golf Strategic Plan

### Five Year Golf Strategic Plan for SLHOA #2 Current as of August 3, 2022

#### **Mission Statement**

To provide exceptional facilities and services for current and future members, while maintaining responsible fiscal management

### **Vision Statement**

To be the most congenial golf country club community for homeowners seeking a private club experience by providing a beautiful setting and relaxing atmosphere with a commitment to value and excellence

#### Values Statement

Our Core Values are truly important and direct the decisions we make and preserve what is special about Cottonwood/Palo Verde Golf Club's.

- Respect: Exhibit mutual respect among members, management, and staff
- *Reputation*: Protect and enhance our well-deserved reputation for friendliness and hospitality.
- **Responsibility**: Be fiscally responsible and transparent, help to maintain property values in a financially stable community.
- **Excellence**: Provide superior facilities, with great service and activities while maintaining a balance of value and quality
- **Communication:** Promote transparency through clear, honest, and open communication.
- *Environment*: Be conscientious of the future environmental needs

### **Business and Team Summary**

The Strategic Golf Committee strives to optimize the member's golfing experience while preserving SLHOA2 financial and environmental integrity.

The core team members are as follows:

Pat Shouse, Golf Committee Chairperson Diane French, Golf Committee Secretary Gregg Lorimor, Golf Committee Member at Large Denise Orthen, Golf Course & Member at Large Scott Anderson, Golf Course & Common Area Manager Jon Griglak, Head Pro Cottonwood Gregg Tokash, Head Pro Palo Verde

There is the assumption that the designated HOA2 Board Liaison is a participant in implementation of the strategic plan.

# THE GOLF COMMITTEE'S 5 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN (2022 – 2027) CATEGORIES AND FOCUS

### I. Membership

| Practice Operational Stewardship   | Process<br>Owner(s)   | Completion | Comments |
|--|---|------------|----------|
| <ul> <li>Annually evaluate golf operating costs<br/>and membership volume structure to<br/>include impact on member satisfaction<br/>regarding ability to obtain desired tee<br/>times and pace of play</li> </ul> |   | Ongoing    |          |
| <ul> <li>Annually evaluate and implement a<br/>revised pricing structure to cover both<br/>operating costs of the Golf Shop and<br/>Golf Maintenance, given supply chain<br/>and inflation</li> </ul>              | Dept Managers-<br>Maintenance/Pro<br>Shops<br>Chair-Golf<br>Committee W/<br>subcommittee/task | Ongoing    |          |
| <ul> <li>Reinstitute a Fee Structure for the<br/>Driving Range as being separate from<br/>the Annual Membership fees</li> </ul>  | subcommittee/task<br>force support  |            |          |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate opportunities to increase retail<br/>golf revenues sales through consistent<br/>communication with members</li> </ul>  |   | 2022       |          |
| <ul> <li>Implement revised pricing structure to<br/>cover operating costs with priority on<br/>Phase 2 homeowners</li> </ul>   |   | 2022       |          |
| <ul> <li>Implement a simplified structure for<br/>Phase 2 annual memberships</li> </ul>  |   | 2022       |          |

| <ul> <li>Evaluate need to issue one<br/>single punch cards to Phase 2<br/>homeowners with process<br/>oversight</li> </ul>                                      |  | 2022       |                |
|---|--|------------|----------------|
| Enhance Communication   | Process<br>Owner(s)                                | Completion | Comments       |
| <ul> <li>Develop a system for consistent and<br/>timely communication with Golf Members<br/>and Phase 2 Homeowners</li> </ul>                                   |  | 2022       | See Addendum A |
| <ul> <li>Implement "Turf Talk" articles to provide<br/>updates regarding Golf Maintenance</li> </ul>  | Dept Managers-<br>Maintenance/Pro<br>Shops         | 2022       |                |
| <ul> <li>Orient HOA 2 Board Members to CWPV<br/>Golf Business and Operations</li> </ul>   | Chair-Golf   | Ongoing    |                |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate and modify Chelsea system to<br/>ensure priority for SLHOA2 homeowners<br/>with Annual Golf Membership for<br/>preferred tee times</li> </ul> | Committee W/<br>subcommittee/task<br>force support | 2022       |                |
| <ul> <li>Provide On Course Marshall to enforce<br/>rules and optimize pace of play on both<br/>courses</li> </ul>   |  | 2023       | See Addendum B |

# II. Water Conservation and Management

| Enhance Irrigation Technology  | Process<br>Owner(s)                     | Completion         | Comments       |
|--|---|--------------------|----------------|
| <ul> <li>Adjust Irrigation sprinklers to improve<br/>efficiency with seasonal watering</li> </ul>                    |   | 2023               |                |
| <ul> <li>Purchase and Install New Satellites and<br/>Sprinklers for Palo Verde and<br/>Cottonwood Courses</li> </ul> | Dept Manager-<br>Golf Maintenance       | 2023 CW<br>2024 PV | See Addendum C |
| <ul> <li>Install moisture sensors from tee to<br/>green at identified Course Locations</li> </ul>                    |   | 2023               | See Addendum D |
| Enhance Lakes and Lake Systems   | Process<br>Owner(s)                     | Completion         | Comments       |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate and implement plan as<br/>needed to Dredge Lakes to<br/>improve water holding capacity</li> </ul>  | Dept Manager-<br>Golf Maintenance       | 2024               |                |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate and seal identified lakes to<br/>reduce water loss @ PV hole #14</li> </ul>                        | Golf Committee's                        |                    | See Addendum E |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate and install intake line as needed</li> <li>@ CW hole #13</li> </ul>                                | Water<br>Conservation Sub-<br>committee | 2023               |                |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate lake wall integrity @ PV hole #9<br/>and CW holes #13/14</li> </ul>                                |   | 2026               |                |

# III. Bunker Quality and Integrity

| Enhance Golfer Experience<br>and Modify Maintenance   | Process<br>Owner(s)               | Completion | Comments       |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Evaluate types and quantity of bunker<br>modifications  |                                   | 2022       |                |
| <ul> <li>Develop revitalization plan and priority<br/>timelines for complete bunker<br/>modification</li> </ul> | Dept Manager- Golf<br>Maintenance | 2022       | See Addendum F |
| <ul> <li>Install drainage to identified bunkers<br/>which tend to hold water</li> </ul>                         |                                   | 2023       |                |
| <ul> <li>Incrementally execute Bunker<br/>Revitalization Plan over 5 years</li> </ul>                           |                                   | 2027       |                |

# **IV.** Golf Operations and Practice Areas

| Enhance Golfer Experience and<br>Modify Maintenance   | Process Owner(s)                             | Completion | Comments         |
|---|--|------------|------------------|
| <ul> <li>Install hitting mats on Practice Tees to<br/>enhance golfer experience, safety, and<br/>area maintenance</li> </ul>                |  | 2023       |                  |
| <ul> <li>Replace Driving Range Fence and<br/>Screens</li> </ul>   | Dept Managers- Golf<br>Maintenance/ Pro      | 2027       |                  |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate and update both Golf Shops'<br/>Space and Design to improve revenue,<br/>golfer experience, and round check-in</li> </ul> | Shops  | 2024       |                  |
| process.  | Chair-Golf Committee<br>W/ subcommittee/task |            |                  |
| <ul> <li>Develop plan for indoor instruction,<br/>education and simulated golf training</li> </ul>  | force support                                | 2024       |                  |
| <ul> <li>Develop short game practice area by CW<br/>first tee</li> </ul>  |  | 2027       | Project In-House |

### V. Greens, Fairways and Rough Area Management

| Enhance Golfer Experience and<br>Modify Maintenance   | Process Owner(s)  | Completio<br>n | Comments       |
|---|---|----------------|----------------|
| <ul> <li>Evaluate best turf results and overseeding<br/>options by maintaining current data trends<br/>and results from Arizona golf courses</li> </ul> | Dept Manager- Golf<br>Maintenance                             | 2024           | See Addendum G |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate and Resurface Greens at<br/>Cottonwood/ Palo Verde</li> </ul>   |   | 2026           |                |
| <ul> <li>Evaluate ability to revise grass products<br/>on fairways to promote consistent turf</li> </ul>  | Chair-Golf Committee<br>W/ subcommittee/task<br>force support | 2026           |                |

### \*\*\*\*Note: Financial Projections Need to be Obtained for Category Contents

### Analysis of Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats

| Strengths   | Weaknesses  |
|---|---|
| The HOA has dedicated management team hired by Homeowner Board of Directors                   | Chelsea System does not create a fair experience for Phase 2 Golf member's needs                  |
| Challenging golf experience including<br>Chanpionship and Executive Courses                   | Perceived imbalance of high season rounds sold, realistic course capacity, and playing experience |
| Professional and experienced Golf course management team                                      | Lack of Sand Trap revitalization plan   |
| Strong involved golf leagues and annual membership  | Aged irrigation system and water conserving technologies  |
| Chelsea automated tee time scheduling   | Lack of good electronic data and email system for golf membership                                 |
| Golf course homeowner property appeal   | Lack of organized Golf Ambassador Program to welcome new golfing homeowners to golf leagues       |
| Active Golf Club committee members prioritizing and addressing member, course, and regulatory | Inconsistent coordination of both men/women leagues' leadership and events                        |

| Opportunities   | Threats   |
|---|---|
| The HOA board to have consistent members<br>with interest in, and/or knowledge of, the golf<br>business   | Experience, vision, and operational commitment of the new GM for the Golf Committee's strategic plans   |
| Head pros to use their professional experience<br>to align their opportunities and plans with the<br>golf committee   | Impact of food, supply, and labor costs on operational and reserve funds  |
| Golf committee members to be consistently<br>engaged in the committee efforts to address<br>strategic plan and identified scope   | Inability to downsize membership without negatively impacting operating budget and HOA 2 community satisfaction                                   |
| Offer post special event liquor bar setup outside pro shops   | Land locked and inability to expand   |
| Ensure consistent and cohesive Pro Shop<br>Team approach regarding communication,<br>education, and accountability for golf members                                     | Board members and/or HOA 2 homeowners<br>who do not see the value that golf has in<br>impacting<br>amenities, business, and/or real estate values |
| Evaluate ability to eliminate and/or resize selected bunkers  | Ongoing readjustment of water allotment in<br>conjunction with regional and state water<br>reduction mandates                                     |
| Evaluate and recommend ongoing water conservation efforts   | Evolving age demographics and competition to play at CWPV Country Club  |
| Restructure price options and golf course<br>memberships to meet current operating budget<br>and enhance the golf member's experience<br>with focus on HOA 2 Homeowners | Impact non-HOA 2 players have on homeowner experience of a private course   |

### **Financial Impact**

|   | Revenue/Cost | Process Owner(s) | Evaluation<br>Criteria |
|---|--------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Membership                                    |              |                  |                        |
| Water Conservation & Management               |              |                  |                        |
| Bunker Quality & Integrity                    |              |                  |                        |
| Golf Operations &<br>Practice Areas           |              |                  |                        |
| Greens, Fairways and Rough<br>Area Management |              |                  |                        |

### ADDENDUMS

#### ADDENDUM A

- Re-engage "In The Know" and Fliers
- Implement annual/semi-annual golf workshop(s) on golf news
- Coordinate with ALL Golf League Chairpersons to ensure ongoing communication from the Pro Shops and Golf Committee representatives are distributed to their members

### ADDENDUM B

- Redefine/modify roles of the Golf Operations Staff
- Evaluate Beverage Cart revenue/expense margins as opportunity to transfer monies to cover Course Marshall
- Provide Course Marshall with water cooler for water distribution as needed for safety

### ADDENDUM C

| Palo Verde   | Cottonwood   |
|--|--|
| • Satellites – <b>43</b>   | <ul> <li>Satellites – 53</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>Sprinklers – 2,823</li> <li>Rainbow 700's - 603</li> <li>Rainbow 750's – 706</li> <li>Rainbow 550's – 6</li> <li>Hunter I-20's – 1,470</li> <li>Rainbow "pop-ups" - 38</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Sprinklers – 1827</li> <li>Rainbow 700's - 579</li> <li>Rainbow 750's – 854</li> <li>Rainbow 550's – 10</li> <li>Hunter I-20's – 322</li> <li>Rainbow "pop-ups" - 62</li> </ul> |

### ADDENDUM D

| Palo Verde           | Cottonwood           |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| • Holes 1, 7, 10, 13 | • Holes 1, 6, 10, 17 |

### ADDENDUM E

• All findings and information are to be brought to the board for discussion and recommendations

### ADDENDUM F

- Establish timelines for renovation of identified bunkers
- Reposition sand and recondition bunkers to loosen sand and reshape bunkers
- Complete drainage installation for bunkers which consistently hold water
  - Anticipate 6-8 bunkers/year
  - CW- Holes 9, 14, 16, 18
  - PV Holes 8,10,13
- Project labor TBD based on cost and efficiencies

### ADDENDUM G

- Resurface Greens
  - Increase Green surface size back to original shape
  - o Reshape hole 5 at Palo Verde
- Consider not overseeding and install new turf types
  - Palo Verde Holes 3 & 6
  - Cottonwood Holes 5 & 13