

Resolution 2025-21

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACTING OF GROUNDS CONSULTANT**

Whereas, it is in the best interest for the city of Horseshoe Bend Arkansas to have a healthy, attractive golf course, and

Whereas, the current staff of Turkey Mountain Golf Course is in need of advice from experts to keep the course in proper maintenance,

Therefore be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Horseshoe Bend, Arkansas to allow Turkey Mountain Golf Course to contract with Agra Turf at a rate of \$275 every 2 weeks for biweekly onsite recommendations and schedule of maintenance and interventions. The funds for this service will come from the Parks and Recreation budget.

Passed and approved this 24 day of March, 2025

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Duane DeLair

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

*W. Van der Poort*

Recorder-Treasurer

Unsigned  
3/24/25

After looking at my schedule closely, I am going to find it very difficult to do weekly visits.

I will be able to come every 2 weeks starting this month and ending in mid to late October.

However on the weeks that I am not on the course, I can communicate by phone as needed to keep things on track.

And if a problem comes up, I should be able to get over there on fairly short notice if necessary.

My services will provide weekly schedules for all agronomic and cultural practices, including fertilization, pesticide, and other plant protection applications along with topdressing, aerification and vertical mowing schedules.

I will also provide a daily/weekly schedule for irrigation cycles on the golf course.

I will diagnose turf issues as needed and make recommendations to correct as needed.

In addition I will help to train and educate the staff on the proper methods and timing of all maintenance related activities, record keeping, equipment maintenance and selection along with general golf course management advice.

If there are any capital improvement projects to be done, I can assist with the planning, preparation and implementation of those.

And I will include a monthly report/review to the council as well.

As you know the golf course needs considerable attention and it will take some time to bring it up to a better level of quality, but if we can keep a cohesive staff and have the necessary resources, I am sure we can get it done.

I can schedule 18 regular on site visits starting this month and ending in late October (every 2 weeks) for

\$4950.00 for the year, paid every 2 weeks: 18 payments @ \$275.00 each.

( I typically have not charged any extra on the occasions when I had to come on short notice to solve or diagnose problems and I would continue that way unless the extra time becomes excessive)

If this is all satisfactory for you and the city council , I will send you a 1 page contract and we will get going right away.

And as I mentioned when it comes to purchasing products for the golf course, I would like for Agra Turf to be able to quote prices and supply what makes sense for the city as needed.

( Due to the massive inventory you currently have, you will not need to spend as much this season as you normally would. It appears that the decision was made to not utilize the products the MRID had purchased on the early order program in 2023. They just left it sitting on the shelves and bought additional products for no apparent reason. The early order programs come with reduced pricing, rebates and 6-8 month terms and can be a great financial benefit to you, if used properly.)

Please keep in mind that my company Specialized Outdoor Services also does aerification, topdressing, fertilizing, renovation work and lake management if you were to need any of these services in the future.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me anytime.