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To: Mayor Kooiker and City Council Members

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Subject: Funding for water costs at LaCroix Links Golf Course

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In December, 2003 the City entered into a Lease Agreement with the YMCA for operation of the LaCroix Links Golf Course located at 3820 Odde Drive. The Lease Agreement stipulated that the City shall supply water to be used for maintenance of the facility. A similar Lease Agreement was approved in November, 2005. The lease expires in December, 2016, however it contains provisions for renewal by the YMCA for up to three additional five year terms under the same conditions contained in the Lease Agreement.

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The cost to provide water at this facility is approximately \$25,000 each year and it has been paid by the golf course enterprise funds in the past. The golfing public does not feel this is a cost that should be paid by the enterprise funds which are funded by revenues from pass sales, green fees and other costs paid solely by golfers.

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Staff has reviewed this issue and recommends that General Fund revenues be used to pay for the water costs at the LaCroix Links Golf Course. The Finance Office has agreed to include General Fund dollars in the Executive Golf Enterprise Fund beginning in FY2015 to pay for this expense. On April 10th, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board recommended that the Council consider the following action:

Authorize the Finance Office to supplement the Executive Golf Enterprise Fund in the amount of \$50,000 from General Fund revenues, for payment of water used in 2013 and 2014 to maintain the LaCroix Links Golf Course which is currently leased to the YMCA.

If you have any questions, please contact me.