

## **MANGROVE BAY GOLF COURSE RENOVATIONS 2017**

Starting Monday, May 1, 2017, Mangrove Bay Golf Course will be undergoing renovations to the golf course. These are the first major renovations since 1998. The golf course will remain open through the entire renovation and we ask for your patience during this time. We anticipate that the golf course will be back to regular, full operation by late August. We think and hope you will be pleased with the investment and positive improvements that will be made to the course.

The renovation project will include the following:

- The re-grassing of all eighteen greens, the three practice greens and taking the green surface back to their original size from 1998. A thatch layer of approximately six inches will be removed from each green and replaced with new, clean green mix made up of sand and peat, as what is currently in the green profile. This will allow for proper drainage through the green profile, promoting healthy roots and turf. The greens surface will be floated and grassed with Platinum Paspalum greens sprigs. This is a similar grass found on the greens at Isla Del Sol, Fox Hollow, Pasadena and Seminole Lake golf courses. With some cooperation from Mother Nature, the greens will grow-in and be ready for play by late August. The collars around the green surface will be sodded with Celebration Bermuda grass to tie in the proper contours and allow for proper drainage.
- The majority of the greenside sand bunkers will be re-shaped and taken back out to their original size. The bunker drains will be cleaned out and new sand will be added as needed.
- There are a number of tees that over time have settled and have poor turf. Several tees will be re-built and re-grassed to improve turf conditions and playability.
- The entrance road and parking lot will be re-paved. The approximately 6.1 lineal miles of golf cart paths will be re-paved.

During the construction, the entire golf course will remain open for play, including the driving range and the clubhouse. Temporary greens will be cut in in front of each existing green. We will begin cutting out the temporary putting surfaces in early April, prior to construction. We will be offering reduced rates during the renovation due to the construction, and hope that you will come out and play.

Thank you for your continued support of Mangrove Bay and for your patience during the renovations. We think you will be pleased with the positive improvements. Please thank our City Council members, and our Mayor and Administration for their support of Mangrove Bay Golf Course as this project is being funded through Weeki Wachee funds.