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Lake Worth decides to hire management company for golf course

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LAKE WORTH — After hearing golfers complain about fees at the Lake Worth Municipal Golf Course, city commissioners voted 3-2 Tuesday to hire JCD Sports Group to manage the 18-hole course along the Intracoastal Waterway.

Regular Lake Worth golfer Eric Gustafson said recent fee increases have reduced play and membership at the course except for those who walk the course.

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"It's such a beautiful place," said Kevin Hart, who lives along the city course. "It's really time to do something professional here."

Commissioners Suzanne Mulvehill and Jo-Ann Golden voted against hiring the management company. They wanted to give city staff extra time to carry out a plan for improving the golf course before deciding whether to hire a management firm.

Commissioner Retha Lowe and Mayor Jeff Clemens strongly favored hiring the management company.

"I'm tired of the city putting Band-Aids on everything," Lowe said. "This is just a management company. We know we need someone to come in and put things back on track."



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Commissioner Cara Jennings cast the swing vote in favor of the management company, noting that the city has many pressing issues to deal with and that staff time could be put to better use elsewhere.

Jennings stipulated that the Delray Beach-based sports management company keep existing golf course employees for six months as long as they follow company rules.

JCD Sports Group, which plans to negotiate a four-year contract with the city, also manages the West Palm Beach Golf Course, the Delray Beach Tennis Center and the Delray Beach Golf Club.