



Dallas Park & Recreation

Tenison Glen Golf Course

Dallas Golf Initiative

Park and Recreation Board
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Background

- Staff has been approached by Dallas Golf Initiative (DGI) seeking a development agreement to make improvements to the Tenison Glen Golf Course
- DGI seeks to design and construct a 9 hole golf course envisioned by the recent Samuell Grand Park Master Plan
- In order to make the improvements, DGI intends to privately raise \$2.5M

About DGI

- Mission
 - To provide affordable and inclusive golf in the City of Dallas while also highlighting the significance of golf course architecture to the enjoyment of the game
 - Goal
 - Leverage private donations to improve access to golf
 - Create a unique 9-hole golf course for the City of Dallas
 - Increase the profile of municipal golf in Dallas
 - Values
 - Inclusiveness
 - Welcoming
 - Affordability
 - Sustainability
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DGI Board



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DGI Solutions

- Raise private funding in the amount of \$2,500,000
 - Architectural design of a 9-hole golf course within the framework of the Samuell Grand Park Master Plan
 - Construction of the above 9-hole golf course
 - Work with Dallas Water Utilities and US Army Corps of Engineers to address erosion and flooding issues on and around the Tenison Glen property
 - Create an environment welcoming for golfers and non-golfers alike
 - Potential for world-renown golf course design firms to be involved in the design and construction process
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Potential Partnerships

- I Am A Golfer
- TopGolf/Callaway
- AT&T
- Audubon International
- Monarchs in the Rough
- Circuit Trail Conservancy (The Loop)
- Trust for Public Land
- Friends of Samuell Grand
- Ferguson Road Initiative

Next Steps

- Seek Park and Recreation Board input on potential opportunity
- Work with DGI on a development agreement that could be considered by the Park and Recreation Board and City Council this Fall