**Anthony L. Rini**
Vice President of Finance
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October 28, 2026

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Anthony L. Rini
Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer

RE: Project Budget for Golf Practice Facility (Revised Design: $900,000)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approves the Revised Design Budget of $900,000 as detailed in the attached project budget for the Golf Practice Facility project for design. This reflects an increase of $450,000 to the previously approved planning budget of $450,000. The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt the Resolution below.

RESOLUTION:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the use of $900,000 in Gift Funds for the Golf Practice Facility project."

BACKGROUND:

The UConn Golf program has operated on campus for decades, winning two Big East Championships (1994, 2021) and drawing talented student athletes who train and compete under the guidance of a coach who has been with the program for almost 20 years. The team and its coaches have practiced in a simulator room inside Gampel Pavilion, which will be renovated into a different programmed space for generating revenue beginning in Fall 2026. The team also relies on other practice facilities across the state, indoors, and outdoors, to meet its needs and schedules. A dedicated university-managed practice facility would reduce travel costs, centralize activities and decrease travel time for student-athletes, while increasing levels of competition and recruitment.

The university assessed several potential locations for the practice facility and plans to redevelop a small portion of property at its Depot campus, about 2 miles northwest of the main campus in Storrs. The proposal is currently under review through public scoping processes required under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA).

The conceptual site plan is comprised of approximately 6.5 acres along Weaver Road, an institutional road also owned by UConn. The edges of the property would remain as woodland and farmland, out of view from neighboring properties.

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The project will involve site clearing, earthwork, utilities and other site activities to accommodate construction of a new building, a single unlit driving range, a chipping and putting area, and a small shed for maintenance. The proposed building will be approximately 6,000 gross square feet with office space, lockers, restrooms and showers, equipment storage and repair space, a flex space / team room, and indoor putting and simulation areas. The parking area would accommodate no more than 24 vehicles, and its security lighting will be dark-sky compliant.

The driving range will not be irrigated and is not intended to be maintained as a fairway like those common to golf courses. Irrigation would be confined to areas immediately surrounding the building, including the practice green(s) will be comparable in size to many small residential lawns in the area.

Design will occur from Fall 2026 through Spring 2027, followed by construction from Summer 2027 through Summer 2028. The Revised Design Phase Budget is attached for your information.

Attachments

**CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET REPORTING FORM**

**TYPE BUDGET:** **REVISED DESIGN**

**PROJECT NAME:** **GOLF PRACTICE FACILITY**

| **BUDGETED EXPENDITURES** | **APPROVED PLANNING 6/21/2023** | **APPROVED DESIGN 7/23/2026** | **PROPOSED REVISED DESIGN 10/28/2026** |
|---|---|---|---|
| CONSTRUCTION | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| DESIGN SERVICES | - | 150,000 | 590,000 |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS | - | - | - |
| FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT | - | - | - |
| CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION | - | - | - |
| OTHER A/E SERVICES (including Project Management) | 85,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| ART | - | - | - |
| RELOCATION | - | - | - |
| ENVIRONMENTAL | - | - | - |
| INSURANCE AND LEGAL | - | - | 5,000 |
| MISCELLANEOUS | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| OTHER SOFT COSTS | - | - | - |
| **SUBTOTAL** | $ 90,000 | $ 355,000 | $ 800,000 |
| PROJECT CONTINGENCY | 10,000 | 45,000 | 100,000 |
| **TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES** | $ 100,000 | $ 400,000 | $ 900,000 |
| **SOURCE(S) OF FUNDING*** | | | |
| GIFT FUNDS | $ 100,000 | $ 400,000 | $ 900,000 |
| **TOTAL BUDGETED FUNDING** | $ 100,000 | $ 400,000 | $ 900,000 |

* This budget reflects the University's current intended source(s) of funding for the specified project. The University may adjust this funding plan in order to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state law(s) or to strategically utilize all fund sources, within the approved budget amount, as appropriate.

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# GOLF PRACTICE FACILITY
## Project Budget (REVISED DESIGN)
## October 28, 2026

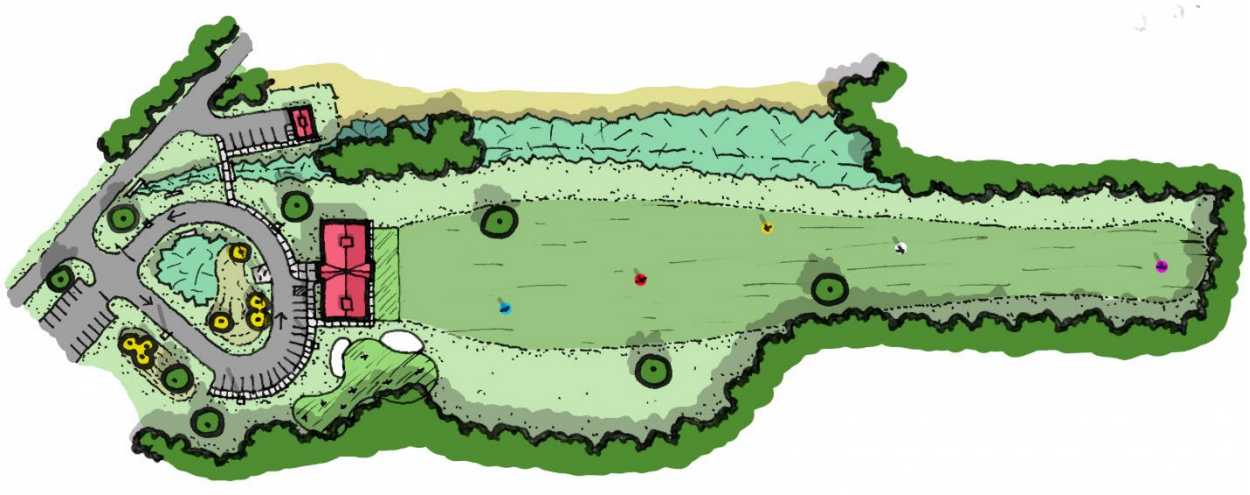


*Figure 1 - Conceptual Site Plan*