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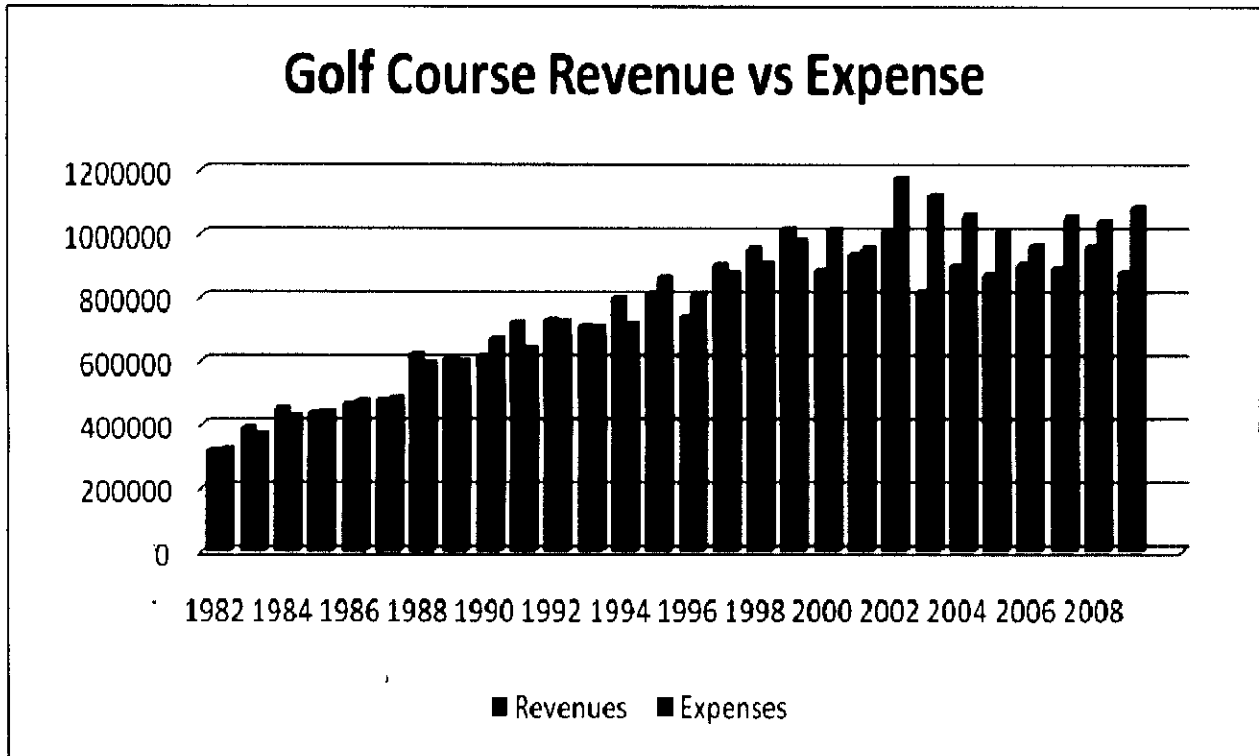
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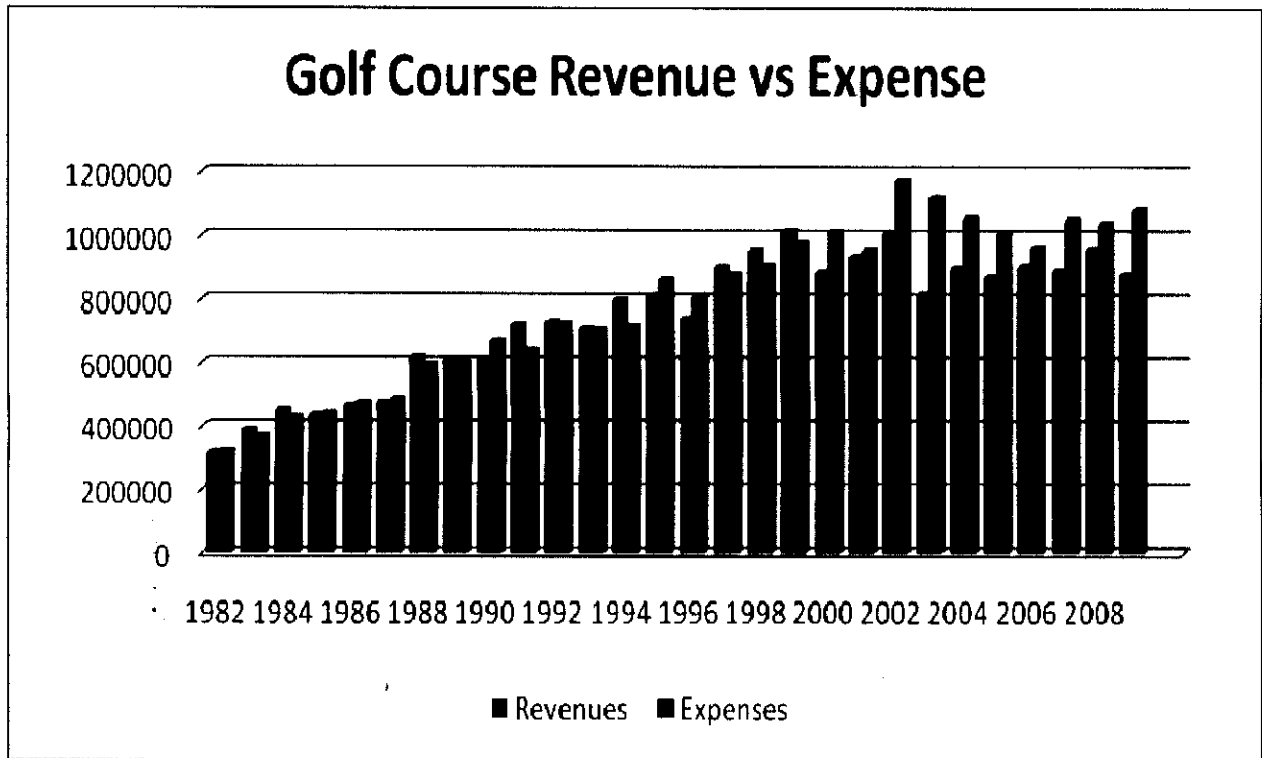
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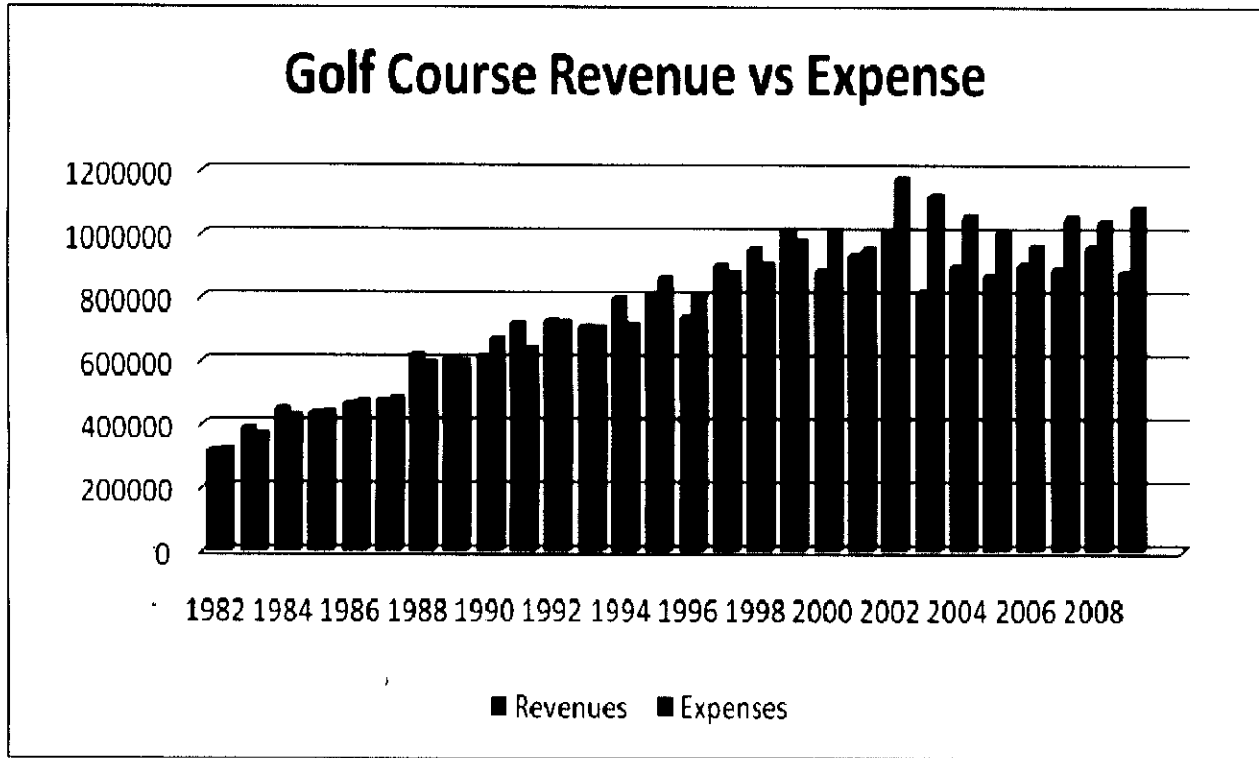
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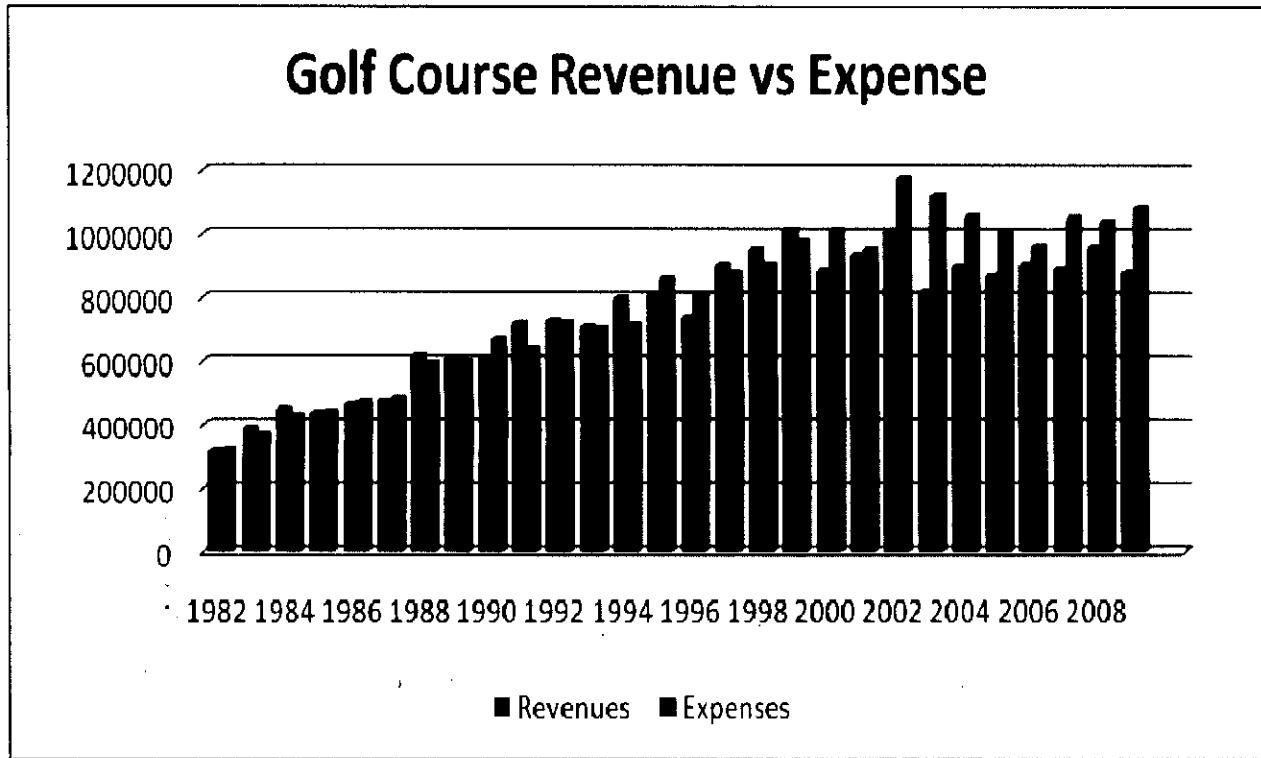
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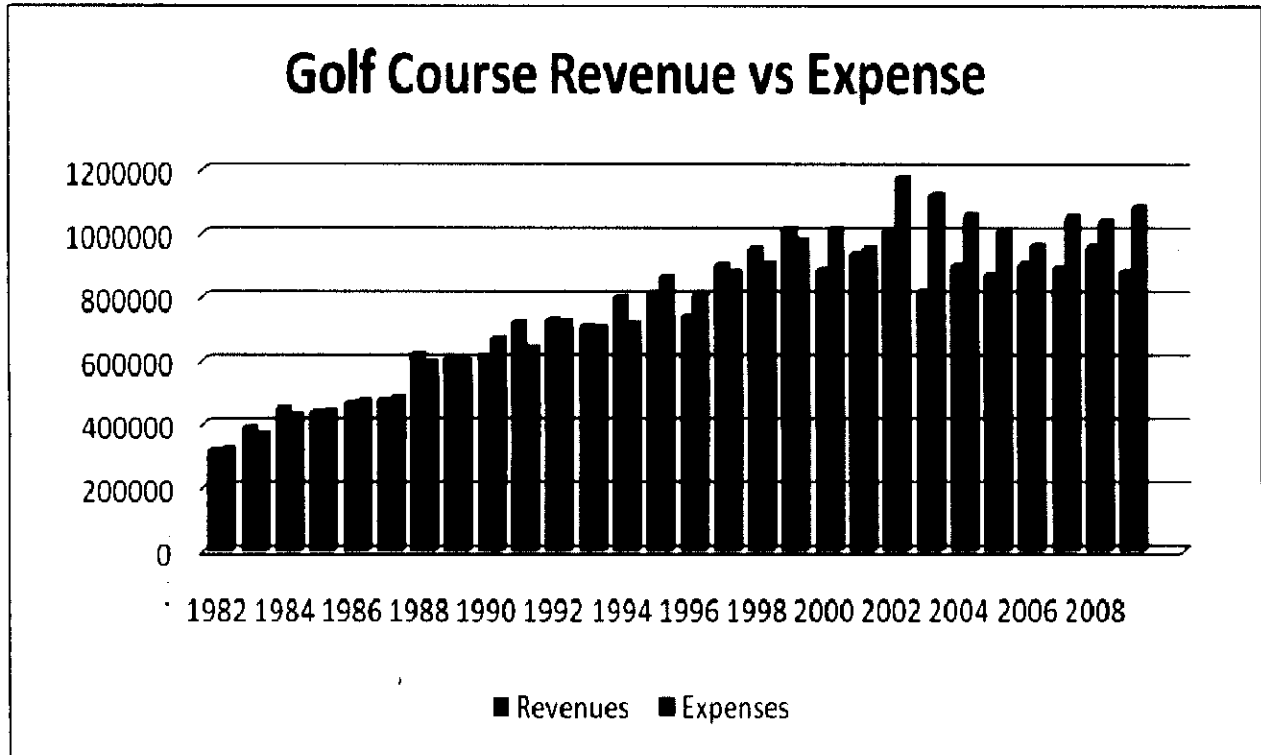
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### Jamestown Park Golf Course Funding Survey

Jamestown Park recreational facilities have served the citizens well over the past four decades. Residents of the Town of Jamestown can play golf at reduced rates. And all citizens, non-golfers included, benefit from having the value and salability of their homes increased simply because the Town has a good municipal golf course in a beautiful park setting.

In the past, the golf course has been a revenue generator. However, in recent years infrastructure troubles have contributed to losses. The graph on the reverse side shows revenues and expenditures since 1982. Citizens should remember that other recreation facilities (ballfields, playgrounds, sidewalks and trails) annually require much larger supplements of general fund money to maintain. As the graph shows, the golf course revenues covered all operation costs for many years.

However, signs of wear are apparent and opportunities for improvement are plentiful. And some important parts of the facility are in danger of failing. At 36 years of age, the entire system is well past its expected life. The Recreation facility irrigation system that serves the soccer and baseball fields as well as the golf course is in danger of failing. The entire system is served by the aging pumps and distribution system connected to the golf course. Complete failure would mean that instead of having an attractive park, we will be left with a potential "eye sore."

The original contract for the use of the land requires the Town maintain it as a golf course; so it cannot be sold for real estate development or converted to any other use. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has reviewed all contracts and pertinent information concerning the Jamestown Park facility. According to a State Official, "A main requirement of the LWCF grant is that the golf course be operated and maintained for public recreation in perpetuity."

Volunteers, staff members, and consultants have spent the past year examining the course. Findings from this research and recommended improvement plans are available on the town website, the Business Renovation Plan (<http://www.jamestown-nc.gov/downloads/ParkRBPREport.pdf>) and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) (<http://www.jamestown-nc.gov/downloads/ParkFAQs.pdf>) available in printed form at Town Hall. Repairs and renovations require funding. The Town now requests input from all citizens as the Town Council determines which repairs and renovations will be addressed at this time.

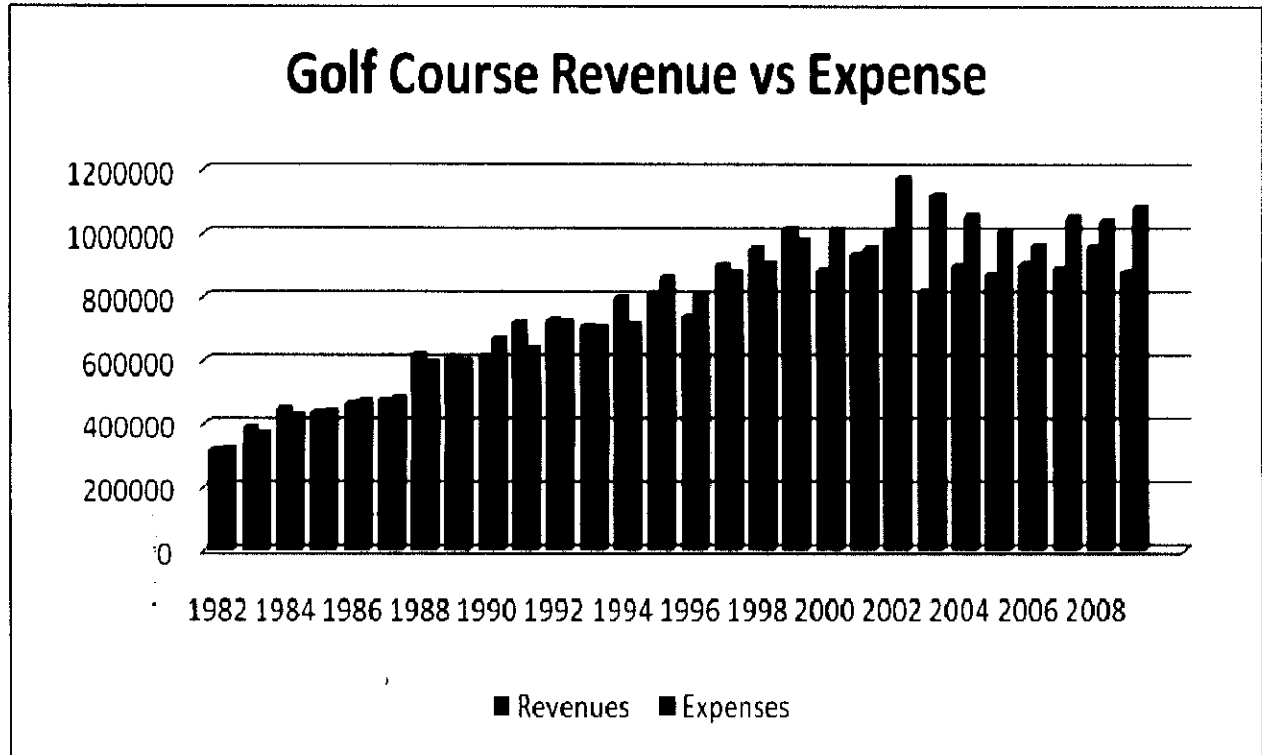
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Which of the following renovations do you support? (Items A through D all include replacement of the irrigation system and "Estimated Costs" are architect estimates and have not been bid at this time.)

Please Check (X) Work You Approve	Approximate Costs		
	Estimated Costs	# Yrs Debt	Estimated Annual Payment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. Entire Project: Greens, expanding Irrigation, Sand Bunker, Tees, Cart Paths, all Fairway work	\$3,978,625	20	\$315,000
<input type="checkbox"/> B. Greens, expanding Irrigation, Sand Bunkers, & Fairway work on #5, 6,7,10,16,17,18	\$2,786,371	20	\$221,000
<input type="checkbox"/> C. Greens including expanded Irrigation System	\$2,122,715	20	\$168,000
<input type="checkbox"/> D. Replacement of existing Irrigation Only	\$600,000	10	\$75,000
<input type="checkbox"/> E. I do not approve any work	N/A		

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