

cc. Russo.

October 1, 2014

Mayor Harold Weinbrecht
c/o Town of Cary
P. O. Box 8005
Cary, NC 27512-8005

Dear Mayor Weinbrecht:

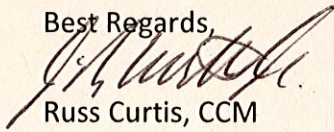
As operators of the three Cary Country Clubs, we are writing to express our pursuit of a clarification in the current Town of Cary ordinance with respect to noise. There is an exception granted for golf courses currently, however we feel there is a lack of clarity of the document in section 22-105 (10).


We have concerns that if the existing ordinance remains unchanged and is interpreted differently by future town leaders, we may be adversely affected in our ability to offer early tee times for our members, which affects revenues, and could impact our viability to operate. Some of our members prefer early times or have young families and must play early and expect a level of golf course preparation that justifies their payment of dues to our Clubs each month. Should our Clubs' ability to offer tee times at 7:30 or 8 am be compromised by the desires of a few, we would all be negatively impacted and that is not a consequence that serves the betterment of the majority.

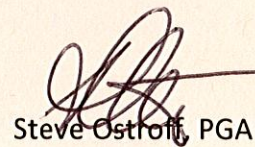
Specifically, our concerns with the existing ordinance are a lack of recognition of the 60 decibel limit being measured over a 60 second average 300 feet from an occupied residence and secondly, the existing language about "mowing of golf course greens" as we must prepare many areas of our courses daily aside from greens. For these reasons, we are pursuing a change in section 22-105 (10), which is enclosed separately for your review.

Thank you for your consideration. We are available for further discussions and to attend a town council meeting as needed toward this effort.

Best Regards,


Russ Curtis, CCM
General Manager
MacGregor Downs CC


Matt Massei, PGA
General Manager
Prestonwood CC


Steve Ostroff, PGA
General Manager
Lochmere CC

22-105 (10) Operating lawnmowers and other motor-driven domestic tools out-of-doors between the hours of 7:00 am to 9:00 pm Monday through Friday and between the hours of 9:00 am and 9:00 pm on Saturdays and Sundays; except the maintenance of golf courses is allowed on any day between the hours of 6:00 am to 9:00 pm during the months of April through September, and 7:00 am to 9:00 pm during all other months.

Additionally, should the golf course operation operate equipment which is verified to be lower than 60 decibels as measured over a 60 second average 300 feet from an occupied residence, such equipment is exempt from the above restrictions and may operate at any time.

Existing – Noise Ordinance

22-105 (10) Lawn Mowers and Landscaping Equipment: –Lawn mowers, landscaping equipment, and agricultural equipment used between the hours of 7:00 am and 9:00 pm on Monday through Friday and between the hours of 9:00 am and 9:00 pm on Saturdays and Sundays when operated with all the manufacturer's standard mufflers and noise-reducing equipment in use and in proper operating condition. The mowing of golf course greens is allowed to begin at 6:00 am during the months of April through September.