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RE: Los Altos Golf and Country Club Pro Shop Project Description

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The new pro shop for the Los Altos Golf and Country Club replaces the existing pro shop in the same location. The project includes the pro shop and required complimentary site improvements in the landscape and hardscape around the building and first tee area. The building is one level at grade with a walk-out lower level at the Southwest end responding to the existing grades. The building architecture matches the existing clubhouse in detail and material. The intent of the new project is to blend in with the existing site facilities and relate to the residential scale of the houses adjacent along Loyola Drive.

The project is 8,585 S.F. which includes a pro shop, restroom, driving range simulators, lounge, club storage. There is 7,313 S.F. of golf cart and pull cart storage cut into grade below to support the pro shop, similar to the existing condition. The services and spaces match what is provided in the existing pro shop with the exception of the primary goal for the project. The existing warm-up range is located outside with members hitting into a net. This creates noise and the unsightly netting. The proposed driving range simulators relocate this function indoors, thus eliminating the above items which negatively impact the neighbors.

The new pro shop will not increase club membership, but rather provide improved facilities to better serve current membership. The membership will be maintained at the at the same levels from the Clubhouse project at approximately 750.

As noted above, the proposed pro shop, replaces the existing pro shop. In addition, the amenities and services provided all replace existing conditions and thus no increase in peak or average occupancy, or traffic will result. The pro shop is staffed to serve the functions and needs of the members, with no additional staffing anticipated.

The pro shop functions around the needs of the golfer for the club. The primary services occur from early morning to dusk during golf season, maintaining the consistent flow of golfers to the first tee. Activities include checking members in for tee times, retrieving and returning clubs from storage, organizing and preparing golf carts for use and storage. Ancillary functions include assistance with driving range simulators, merchandise sales, and golf instruction. These services and activities are all currently provided in the existing pro shop with the exception of the driving range simulators, which currently occurs outside. The proposed building will not alter the functions, services, or time of use of the facility.

