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## Five golf courses projected at Colonial Downs site

NEW KENT, Va. — A racetrack developer is moving ahead with plans for a 3,165-acre mixeduse development anchored by Colonial Downs that could eventually include as many as five golf courses.

The Delmarva Properties proposed development would include 3,300 residential units and almost 3 million square feet of commercial and office space, according to Joel Mostrom, president of the West Point, Va.based developer. The development would include three villages. A mix of single-family homes, a retirement community and apartments or town houses would dominate a traditional residential village and a golf village.

Mostrom has said the golf village would adjoin the Legends Golf Course, which is under construction southeast of Interstate 64 and Route 155, and that the golf village could include four additional courses.

## Three Mass. towns contemplate collaboration

WALTHAM, Mass. — The possibility of a public-access golf course on the rolling, scenic grounds of the former Metropolitan State Hospital just west of Boston is growing.

Legislation for redeveloping the former hospital's 340-acre grounds has been filed in the Statehouse, three years after local officials in the neighboring towns of Waltham, Belmont and Lexington first entertained the idea of turning the site into a golf course, park land and housing complex.

The legislation, which reportedly has the support of state legislators from all three towns, creates a reuse plan developed by a tri-town task force. The plan includes a nine-hole golf course, 250 acres of recreation land and housing to be used primarily for the elderly and first-time homeowners. The bill allocates \$6.7 milion for the development for studies, cleanup, design and construction.

The nine-hole golf course would be set on about 50 acres, owned by the city of Waltham and run by an outside management company. If the golf course is not developed within eight years after the legislation is signed, or if Waltham stops using it as a golf course after it is developed, the land reverts to the Metropolitan District Commission to become part of the reservation site.

### Environmentalists may trump Trump

MOUNT KISCO, N.Y. — His Seven Springs golf course proposal has yet to be officially unveiled, but mega-developer Donald Trump could soon be faced with questions about what impact the proposed project would have on the local environment, particularly water.

Trump recently paid \$7.5 milion for Seven Springs, a 199acre estate that straddles the borders of Bedford, New Castle and North Castle. His first choice for the site is an exclusive 18hole golf course atop the hill overlooking Byram Lake.

Byram Lake, however, is the sole source of water for the 9,100 people who live in Mount Kisco. Even though Mount Kisco officials won't technically be involved in decisions on Trump's proposal, Mount Kisco Deputy Mayor Ralph Vigliotti has said that the project must not compromise the quality of Byram Lake.

Trump has said a golf course would have far less impact on Byram Lake than any other kind of development.

### CORRECTIONS

The October issue of *GCN* ran a photograph of Dennis Bowler, Jacobsen's director of Far East operations, accompanying a story about Mike Bowler of National Seal Co. We apologize for the error.

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Niebur Golf Inc. of Colorado Springs, Colo., was omitted from a listing, in GCN October, of firms who have earned certification from the Golf Course Builders Association of America. Niebur President Joe Niebur passed the examination.

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Scott Pool, who designed Mountain Air Golf Club in Burnsville, N.C., did not co-design Kiva Dunes here, as was stated in the September issue. Kiva Dunes was created by Jerry Pate Golf Design of Pensacola, Fla. Pool was construction manager and lead shaper on the project.

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