



### Bobby Jones Golf Club – Option III (3)

#### Option III offers the community the following benefits:

- Restored and upgraded 27 holes of golf (one regulation 18-hole course and one short nine-hole course for beginners and seniors)
- Creates a unique recreation destination with more natural open space for people and wildlife
- Increases the park's nature-based recreation to 130 acres with a created wetlands and pine uplands
- Provides new recreational amenities including a playground, lawn bowling and nature trails that will expand the use of the park for more people in the community
- Offers the potential to expand the Legacy Trail along Circus Blvd. to and through The Meadows and on to Benderson Park

#### Option III also provides the following advantages:

- A Conservation Easement that will ensure the property is never developed, reduced in size or degraded which will assure private and foundation funders their investment will not be undone resulting in a lower development cost to the City
- The 30 acres of added wetland will provide balanced recreational land use with 153 acres of golf, 130 acres of nature trails and improve water quality by removing excess nutrients before they flow into Sarasota Bay
- The added 30 acres of wetland will store 9.8 million gallons of stormwater helping to prevent downstream flooding



- The wetland will also store 1,620 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>, the equivalent of preventing greenhouse gas emissions from burning 1.8 million pounds of coal for a year

**Option III is supported by the following stakeholders:**

- The majority of the surveyed community citizens
- Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast
- START (Solutions To Avoid Red Tide)

Add your voice to support this important community project by contacting the Sarasota City Commissioners and City Manager listed below:

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