

Rotary Club of Abilene in conjunction with the Abilene Chapter of the
Professional Disc Golf Association and the City of Abilene

July 1, 2009

Letter of Intent

2009 Cal Young Park Expansion Project

I. Introduction

The Rotary Club of Abilene is part of District 5790 of Rotary International. The Club's Rotary Foundation fund is a 501 c 3. The club was established on March 26, 1926, and was originally sponsored by The Fort Worth Rotary Club. Our current president is Betty Hukill. The mission of Rotary International, a worldwide association of Rotary clubs, is to provide service to others, to promote high ethical standards, and to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Our large annual fundraising project is the Taste of Abilene which began in 2006. Non-profit organizations are the recipients of the Rotary Club proceeds from our events. In 2007 we awarded 12 grants totaling \$20,450 to local organizations including: Hope Haven; the Paramount Theatre; Abilene Habitat for Humanity; the Salvation Army; and several groups that assist youth in various organizations. The Taste of Abilene 2008 rose over \$30,000 and the 2009 numbers are not yet finalized.

II. Proposal

Our current community project is the expansion of Cal Young Park. This expansion will be a mutual project between the Abilene Rotary Club and the Abilene Chapter of the Professional Disc Golf Association and the City of Abilene. The picture shows the area (outlined in yellow) where we would like to add another 18-basket Disc Golf course. The area will eventually include walking trails, benches, a rest area, a pavilion, a playground and a parking area.



This property is currently in a floodway and no building permits are being issued. This land is completely unused, but full of potential. The Rotary Club of Abilene along with the Abilene Chapter the Professional Disc Golf Association have agreed to volunteer their time and efforts to plan and implement the development of this land on the west side of Lytle Creek for the enjoyment and outdoor recreation of citizens of Abilene and the surrounding areas.

III. Specifics

The plan originally consisted of a three year project to be initiated and completed in three phases, as monies are raised. Ideally, we would like to implement the entire plan as soon as possible in order to begin benefiting the Abilene community. This would be possible by raising \$30,000, which would cover design, clearing of the area, labor and installation of tee-box & pads, and disc basket equipment. In addition to the grant monies, we would continue our own fundraising efforts, in order to purchase benches, playground equipment, materials for a pavilion, and walking paths.

The city of Abilene has already agreed to maintain the property upon completion of the project, in addition to the existing Cal Young Park. After completion the annual fund raising event, "Mayor's Cup", will raise money to be divided with the local chapter of the Disc Golf Association. Initially, all proceeds will go to the Park Expansion Project. Once this is completed, the money raised will go to repairs and improvements to the park and then to local charities through the Rotary Grants Committee.

There is a Sponsorship Package information form on the website <http://www.mayorscupabilene.org/sponsors.html> that we would like for you to consider and pass along to other businesses around the community to gain their support. With the sale of these packages, the Abilene Rotary Club and the Abilene Chapter of the Professional Disc Golf Association will be able to move forward with this exciting project.

IV. Timetable

	Description of Work	Time Frame
Phase One	Mayor's Cup	Fall 2009
Phase Two	Design & Implement Disc Golf Course	Winter / Spring 2010
Phase Three	Mayor's Cup	Fall 2010
Phase Four	Create Walk/Hike/Bike Trails and add a Playground and Benches, Build Pavilion, Parking and Restrooms	Summer 2011

V. Budget

	Description of Work	Anticipated Costs
Phase One	Design & Implement Disc Golf Course	\$30,000 – 2009 Mayor's Cup
Phase Two	Create Walk/Hike/Bike Trails and add a Playground and Benches	\$Budget to be determined
Phase Three	Create Pavilion, Parking and Restrooms	\$Budget to be determined
Total		\$35,000 +

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