

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Please overview the project request including (or attaching) evidence of the support of the governing authority of the organization/group. You are welcome to use your own letterhead.

April 12, 2013

City of Dunwoody
Facilities Improvement Partnership Program
41 Perimeter Center East, Suite 250
Dunwoody, GA 30346

Dear Selection Committee,

Attached is our proposal to renovate and level the outfields of both the upper and lower baseball fields at Dunwoody Park.

APPLICANT AND PROJECT BASICS

Applicant Information

Organization/Group:	<u>Dunwoody Senior Baseball</u>
Contact Name and Title:	<u>Jay Markowitz, President</u>
Phone: _____ Cell: <u>404 433 2821</u> Email: <u>Jaymarkowitz@comcast.net</u>	

Project Information

Project Name/Title: <u>Field Renovation/Leveling</u>
Project Category (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Structural <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Structural <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Landscaping/Grounds <input type="checkbox"/> Signage <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click here to enter text.
Brief Project Description . There are several sinking depressions, dips and humps that create drainage problems and are a safety hazard to the players. We are proposing that the outfields be leveled and the Lower Field drainage improved in order to reduce the potential for injury to players and allow for improved field availability. Upper field also has drainage issues that are beyond the scope of this project and hopefully can be addressed in a later proposal.

Project Timeframe and Integration

Estimated number of months to accomplish project: <u>3</u>
Do you believe it is reasonable that the project could be completed by December 31, 2013: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Signature

<i>I hereby agree and understand the City of Dunwoody reserves the right to determine the award of the grant funds in its sole discretion. The availability of funds is subject to annual budgetary decision made by the City Council. The City cannot guarantee the availability of future funds nor obligate future City Councils to provide funds for future projects.</i>	
<i>The City will directly administer all awarded project funds but will work directly with selected Park and Recreation Partner(s) for the implementation of the project(s).</i>	
Name and Title of Authorized Official:	<u>Jay Markowitz, President</u>
Signature of Authorized Official: _____	Date: <u>04/16/13</u>
Name and Title of Project Contact:	<u>Ken Langley</u>

SITE/LOCATION PLAN

Please indicate the project location in relationship to existing facilities. Although you are welcome to attach any existing site/location map or create a new one, the City has uploaded aerial images of the facilities which you may use as a starting point. The images can be downloaded using the following secure link:



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Upper Field

Lower Field

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

Please describe how the funds will be used, and what specific work will be completed. If this project is a phase of a larger project or an integral part of any other projects, please note that as part of your description.

- The baseball fields were constructed as clay based fields close to 40 years ago and have experienced settling from buried organics and water. In those years the fields have never been leveled or regraded. There are several sinking depressions, dips and humps that create drainage problems and are a safety hazard to the players. A new process called turf planning allows for the fields to be smoothed and leveled by removing the top 2" of turf and filling in the low spots. The process produces sprig like tailings which will need to be removed. These sprigs can be spread over a graded field like the proposed area at Brook Run
- **Project timing is critical.** This process will take approximately 8-12 weeks from start to finish. Since this process must take place during the Bermuda growing season the summer baseball league will need to be relocated to a rented facility. **In order to catch the Bermuda grass growing season and get the fields ready for the fall 2013 baseball league we asking for approval of this project by May 15 with work to begin no later than June 15.**

PROJECT BUDGET

Total Project Cost:	\$53,000
Total City Funds Requested:	\$40,000

Please include information detailing the cost of the project. As part of your project budget, include enough detail to justify the proposed cost of the project. You may attach additional pages if needed.

We propose that the costs below be allocated to the City of Dunwoody:

- \$10,000 upper field leveling
- \$10,000 lower field leveling
- \$2,500 to haul off waste sprigs,
- \$1,000 for sprinkler repairs
- \$3,000 infield dirt and blend in
- \$8,500 repair lower field drainage
- \$5,000 contingency in case project runs over

We propose that the costs below be allocated to Dunwoody Seniors Baseball:

- \$4,000 for fertilizer, amendments, seed,
- \$2,000 for field rental
- \$5,000 for engineering, supervision, contracting and administration. (provided by volunteers)
- \$2,000 contingency in case project runs over

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

Please explain how the proposed project meets the three selection criteria listed. You may attach additional pages if needed or use separate pages to answer these questions.

Master Plan Alignment

1. Describe the scope of the proposed project and how well it responds to the citizens identified needs in the City's Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan. Please reference the section(s) of the plan that identify the needs.

This is consistent with Section 6 overall Facilities Assessment and Recommendations Parks Page 6.2 (bullet 8) ***Complete major renovations throughout the park system to improve safety, ADA compliance and to create a unified appearance for park architecture, signage and site furnishings.***

The field renovation/leveling project is clearly a matter of safety

Relationship to Existing Programs and Users

2. Describe the proposed project in relation to the programs/recreational opportunities your group/organization offers to the citizens of Dunwoody. Highlight how the proposed project will improve your ability to offer recreational opportunities to the community or to enhance the quality of programs or facilities offered.

Leveling the 40 year old outfields of both the upper and lower fields will reduce the chances of a player stepping in a hole, depression or rut that could potentially cause injury. We believe that conditions and the associated safety issues are a reflection of the City of Dunwoody's commitment to youth sports and the safety of the participants.

Leveraging of Other Funds

3. Describe the degree to which the group/organization proposes that the City can use program funds to leverage greater private investments, public funds, organization funds, in-kind donations, or volunteer labor.

Dunwoody Seniors Baseball will cover the cost of fertilizer and seed and field rental while the DSB fields are being renovated. We will also supervise the project.