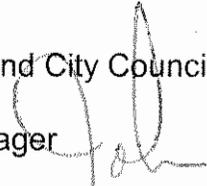


June 8, 2005

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: John Szerlag, City Manager 
SUBJECT: Unsolicited Proposal for Indoor Sports Facility

Attached is a memorandum from staff indicating that they received an unsolicited proposal from Oakland Yard Athletics, a company interested in a land lease on City of Troy property for the operation of an indoor sports facility. These uses include soccer, lacrosse, and flag football. Additionally, Oakland Yard Athletics has requested that the Civic Center property, as well as Firefighters Park, be suggested as two possible sites.

Please know that determination of whether an indoor sports facility should be constructed on City property is not within my purview of authority; it's within yours. And given our recent experience with the proposed baseball stadium, I'm going to instruct staff to advise Oakland Yard Athletics that the City of Troy is not interested in an indoor sports facility on City property. Having said this, should City Council wish me to do otherwise, then you'll need to pass a resolution delineating a different set of instructions.

As always, please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

c: Stuart Alderman, Superintendent of Recreation
Carol Anderson, Parks and Recreation Director
Brian P. Murphy, Assistant City Manager/Services

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To: John Szerlag, City Manager ✓

From: Brian Murphy, Assistant City Manager/Services
Carol K. Anderson, Parks and Recreation Director
Stu Alderman, Superintendent of Recreation

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CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Subject: Indoor Sports Facility Proposal

Attached is an unsolicited proposal from the owners of Oakland Yard Athletics, a company interested in a land-lease on City of Troy property for the operation of an indoor sports facility. Possible uses include: soccer, lacrosse, and flag football. The owners would provide a financial guarantee as well as provide a percentage of revenues for programs offered.

The proposal suggests two possible sites as options – the Civic Center property and Firefighters Park.

There has been one other verbal inquiry proposing construction of a soccer facility. However, we have not received anything in writing.

With the interest of indoor soccer (and some of the other sports mentioned in the proposal) in Troy, the facility could prove to be a benefit for the residents and the community as well as produce revenue for the city. In light of recent Council action on public/private partnerships, city staff thought it prudent to bring the matter to your attention before proceeding.

The Troy Sports Center offered indoor soccer at one time, but has since converted the field to ice hockey. Indoor soccer facilities exist in Royal Oak and Shelby Twp.

Troy Sports Dome Proposal by Oakland Yard Athletics, L.L.C. is attached to agenda packet in hard copy format.