

Gainesville BMX Inc.
A Non-Profit Parent-Run Organization

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Mr. Wayne Bowers
Gainesville City Manager
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Dear Mr. Bowers:

Gainesville BMX Inc. is currently looking for a location to build a bicycle-motocross (bicycles, not dirt bikes) facility that will be nationally sanctioned and insured with a \$5,000,000 policy provided by the National Bicycle League. The policy will cover the City of Gainesville (to-be landlord), its employees, Gainesville BMX Inc., and all of our volunteers. We are seeking a lease for 3 acres of Possum Creek Park in northwest Gainesville, and would like to present our proposal to the City Commission at the May 14th meeting. We feel the residents of the City of Gainesville will benefit in many ways by us bringing a sport like BMX bicycle racing to our area. Children will then have a place to bring the bicycles they currently own, and be able to enjoy riding them in a safe, supervised manner away from cars and downtown buildings. We also plan to offer kids in the City Parks Program 3 days per year where they can come out and ride for no charge. Currently there are 17 similar facilities around the state, all but one of which are located in city or county parks.

We structured our proposal so not to infringe on the current Greenway laws for the City, and the project will cost the City nothing. We will be totally self-sufficient, and will build our facility with our own funds, machinery, and materials. With a planned schedule of state-level and national races, during the first 4 years of operation, we can affect the local economy with a realistic \$4.5 million income during the football off-season. Will you please add us to the docket for the Commission's May 14th meeting

Sincerely,

Ryan Kramer

President, Gainesville BMX Inc.