



# CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS | PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Grand Rapids was pleased to host Urban Disco (September 9, 2017) and Disc Downtown (November 12, 2017). The Event Coordinators, Andrea Lange and Steve Hedstrom were very knowledgeable about the sport, extremely communicative and easy to work with. Their events are fresh and add a uniqueness to our event offerings. Not only have the events gone smoothly, but they have also attracted a broad section of our population. The City of Grand Rapids did not pay anything to host either event and the event organizer was responsible for all fees, which they paid on time.

With the first event, we were concerned about the discs and the damage they could cause in the community. Andrea and Steve not only acknowledged our concerns, but also created special discs that were a bit more flexible to avoid property and personal damage. They took us on a field trip where they demonstrated the sport and the discs in action, throwing them against cars and windows to prove the flexibility of the specialty discs.

As part of hosting an event within the City of Grand Rapids, we require that all businesses and residents located in the area of the event be notified and onboard. Steve and Andrea completed this requirement and the City did not receive any complaints regarding their events, which spanned numerous city blocks.

The City of Grand Rapids will permit Urban Disco and Disc Downtown disc golf events to occur again and we look forward to working with Andrea and Steve in the future.

For more information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly; my contact information is listed below.

Kind regards,

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