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City of Racine
Park & Rec. Department
800 Center St
Racine, WI 53402
Attn: Donnie Snow

October 6, 2010

Dear Mr. Snow,

The Racine Raiders Football Club is requesting a formal agreement between our Organization and the City of Racine for space to create a new structure to replace the existing structure that the Raiders currently occupy at Horlick Athletic Field. The Raiders organization first occupied a 1,000 sq. ft. of this existing structure at the North end of Horlick Field starting 1953. A large addition (an additional 1,000 sq. ft. was added to bring the total to 2,000 sq. ft.) to this structure in 1980. It was built by our Organization with a verbal agreement of lifetime occupancy based on the existence of our Organization.

The Racine Raiders Football Club was established in 1953. We are a non-profit / tax exempt club made up of all volunteers. The current structure houses everything that our club owns and uses to run this long-standing successful Organization. We have become dependent on this structure and it has contributed to our functionality as well as uniqueness.

## Our needs are as follows:

- 1. Designated area to locate a 2,000 + sq. ft. structure.
  - A. Ideally located beneath the Eastside bleachers.
  - B. Alt 1. South end of HAF, next to wall, between Football and Baseball Field.
  - C. Alt 2. North end of HAF, next to fence, currently designated for baseball pitcher warm-ups but seldom utilized.
- Also, we are requesting an area to permanently relocate our "Trading Post". This is where the Raiders sell souvenirs to raise money for our operation. This also serves as an information booth as well as other functions. Ideally, a location within the concourse located in front of the concession stand.

The loss of this 2,000 sq. ft. structure is detrimental to the existence of our Organization. We will need to fundraise to replace the structure. Please help us with our needs as we struggle to survive.

Sincerely,

Bob Milkie President

Racine Raiders Football Club

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