Go NoCo Regional Tourism Act Application A Private /Public Partnership



COLORADO

Office of Economic Development & International Trade









Loveland Community Marketing
Commission
July 16, 2014

What is the RTA Program?

- Office of Economic Developments International Trade
- Program of the Colorado Economic Development Commission
- State Sales Tax increment financing tool for the development of large scale, regional tourism projects
- These projects can include tourism and entertainment facilities and the associated hotels and infrastructure however:
- Must draw a significant number of <u>new</u> regional, national and international patrons

Projects

Extraordinary and unique in nature



- Result in a substantial increase in out of state tourism
- Generate new state sales tax from residents outside the zone
- Local governments must provide reliable economic data demonstrating that in the absence of the state sales tax increment revenue the project is not reasonably anticipated in the foreseeable future..... "But for the State assistance"

Why Now, Why NoCo?

- Only <u>two</u> more RTA applications will be awarded by the State, 3 have been awarded.
- Northern Colorado has not received an award
- Three public partners: Larimer County, Loveland and Windsor and 3 unique private partners with project areas already in design phases and financial evaluation
- There is a strong International and National "Destination Economy" growing in NoCo

National/International Marketing

 Attendance at Pow Wow and Go West International Trade Show(s)

Developed Relationships with Tour Bus Receptors

 Familiarization (FAM) Tours and Ads with Colorado Tourism and Brand USA: Germany, Ireland, England, France, Portugal, Canada, Japan, Mexico, China

US Pro Cycling Challenge a No Co effort

We are on the Map! Literally...

No Co is the Center!

16,194,000 is the population within 500 miles North Dakota South Dakota Nebraska Northern Colorado

"#7 must do event in the United States for 4th of July, 2014" Peter Greenberg, CBS News Travel Editor





Colorado Tourism Office International Guides 2014/15

Germany, France, Portugal, Mexico, China, UK, Canada



















And More.....















And more......

Loveland and especially the Ranch/Fairgrounds area is the home of some of the most valuable tourism assets.



But we need more projects......

Don't forget the airport!





RTA Private Partners







And many, many more.....







Site Plan: Final Schematic Design

YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX
City of Gatlinburg and the Gatlinburg-Sevier County Joint Venture



28 January 2013

McWHINNEY

"Joy"
by Dominic
Benhura,
property of
Centerrra
Metropolitan
District

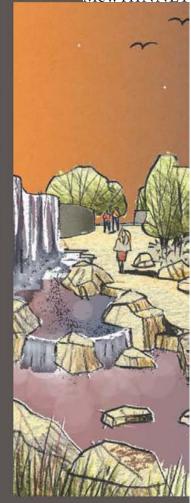
past 40 years, a group of very special artists from Zimbabwe have exhibited their work in many of the world's most beautiful parks and gardens. Now, this amazing collection is finding a permanent home in Loveland, Colorado, considered by many to be the sculpture capital of North America. A unique partnership between the Chapungu Sculpture Park of Harare, Zimbabwe, McWhinney Enterprises, developer of Centerra, and the community of Loveland, Colorado, provides an amazing gift by establishing the Chapungu Sculpture Park at Centerra. The 26 acre park will contain a permanent, rotating exhibition of some of the world's most renowned stone sculptors. These remarkable works of art are inspired by the religion, mythology, nature, and culture of Zimbabwe.



Cultural Centre site plan

he centerpiece of the park will be the Chapungu Cultural Arts Centre. The Centre's mission will support, encourage and promote the visual and performing artists of Africa, with emphasis on the stone sculp-

tors, painters, performing artists, writers, poets, and cultural performers of Zimbabwe.
This is the story of the Chapungu Cultural Arts Centre and the Chapungu Sculpture Park at Centerra.



African sculpture



Perspective view from the Great Lawn

\$2-3 Million Cost Estimate

in a Colorado landscape...

Natural History/ Sportsmen's Museum







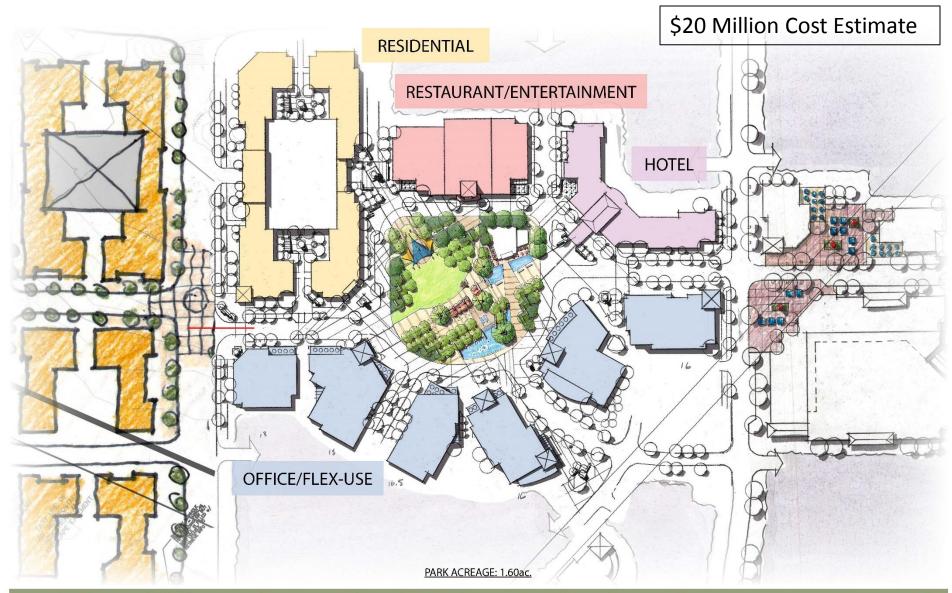






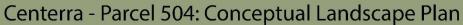


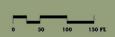
Cost Estimate \$4 million















RTA Potential Projects

Projects Map





RTA Potential Project – July 22, 2014

Regional Ice Sheets Project Facts

Project Location:

City: Loveland, CO

County: *Larimer County*

Major Intersection: NEC Fairgrounds Ave. and

Crossroads Blvd.

Land Use:

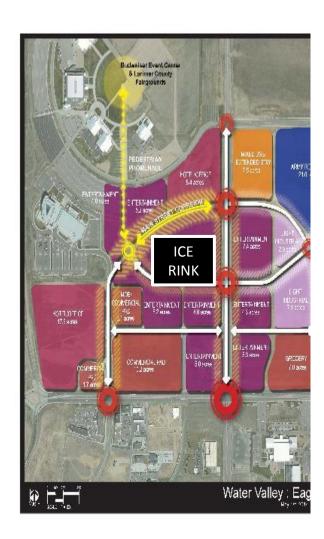
Estimated Land Acreage: +/- 9.18 Acres
Building Square Footage: +/- 100,000 SF

Estimated Construction Costs: +/- \$25,000,000

Summary:

This facility would consist of a minimum 4 sheets of ice with the intent of drawing national youth and adult hockey tournaments to the region.





RTA Potential Project – July 22, 2014

Raindance National Golf Club Project Facts



Project Location:

City: Windsor, CO

County: Weld

Major Intersection: 1.5 Miles North of the

Crossroads Blvd. and County Rd. 13

Land Use:

Estimated Land Acreage: 370 Acres
Estimated Course Construction Costs:

\$20,000,000

RTA Enhancement Costs: \$5,000,000

Summary:

This golf course is designed for the ability to host Champions Tour and Senior PGA Tour Events. RTA Funding would be used to entice national tournament play to the Region.







Peligrande Resort and Convention Center



Project Facts

Project Location:

City: Windsor, CO

County: Weld

Major Intersection: New Liberty Rd. and

Marina Drive

Land Use:

Estimated Land Acreage: 40 Acres

Convention Center SF: 50,000

Marina SF: 20,000

Estimated Construction Costs Convention - :

\$10,000,000

Estimated Construction Costs Marina -

\$10,000,000

Amenity Enhancement – Hotel / Timeshare -

\$50,000,000



RV Park

WATER VALLEY LAND COMPANY

Project Facts

Project Location:

City: Windsor, CO

County: Weld

Major Intersection: ¼ Mile South of Crossroads

Blvd and 7th Street

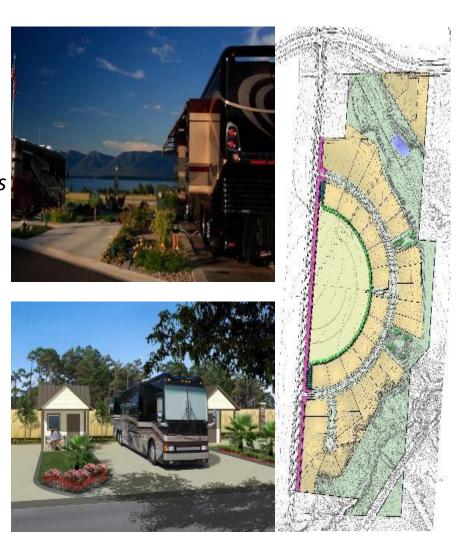
Land Use:

Estimated Land Acreage: 93 Acres

Estimated Construction Costs: \$5,000,000

Summary:

High-End RV Park



An RTA Project with Heart

















May 2013























What will we do???















\$4-\$10 million Cost Estimate

Potential Economic Benefits

- Net New Jobs ...possibly thousands
- Sales Taxes
- Lodging Taxes
- Property Taxes













So What's Next for this effort

- Formation of the Go NoCo Private Non-Profit
- Contributions from Public and Private Sector
- Public Sector funds requested= \$225,000
- Private Sector = \$300,000 in assistance
- Completion of Market and Financial Analysis (\$)
- Recruitment of Tenant/Operators (\$)
- Determination of RTA Zone due in October 14'(\$)
- RTA Applications are due February 2015
- Announcement of Awards October 2015

What's Next for City Council

Request for financial assistance of \$175,000 for Go NoCo

\$50,000 of Lodging Tax Reserves for marketing \$125,000 of Economic Development Reserves for financial and legal assistance

- Questions and Discussion
- Additional Presentations and requests to other Public Partners.