Shooting Range Funding Proposal

Introduction

The prospect to erect a high quality shooting range in our community is one of the most urgent needs thereof. This need is dictated by different factors. First and foremost important one: recreational objectives are pursued since shooting is highly recommended by the medical advocacy groups as one of the most effective ways to alleviate stress and cope effectively with the negative symptoms of mental disorders. Considering that our community is located in densely populated area, where a great number of different industrial units are located, the need to have an effective stress buster is more than evident. Currently, there is no viable alternative within the frontiers of the community since the majority of the shooting ranges are either indoors or private ownership, and; therefore, they are highly expensive for an average member of our community.

In general, this project pursues three main objectives. First and foremost remarkable one, is the social goal, which is evident since the installation of this facility in our neighborhood seeks to find and recruit talents, particularly gifted at shooting firearms or bows. These sports activities are nowadays becoming increasingly popular on the international arena, as well as the domestic one, and; therefore, it is highly recommended having a strong representation of such athletes from our neighborhood. Currently there is no viable possibility to train them; neither, there is a possibility to identify such talents, due to the fact that neither equipment nor the area where they
can train are available. The second reason why this project should be implemented pertain to the benefits of the medical nature since the overwhelming majority of medical practitioners nowadays vigorously advocates the idea that shooting is one of the most effective therapies in terms of various mental disorders, which aids in aggressive behavior treatment. Furthermore, the unanimous opinion of the medical commentators in this regard if that regular shooting shall be regarded as an effective preventive measure for those who seem to have particular inclination to commit violent actions because of their psychological and emotional distress. This statement is equally well supported by the opinion of the theoretical luminaries, as well as it is profoundly corroborated by the available empirical evidence in this regard. Having analyzed the situation at hand, our local medical practitioners, especially those specialized in psychological and psychiatric fields, have reached the unanimous conclusion that the construction of the outdoor shooting range is more than urgently required: the prescribed therapies can be effectively amplified and improved through the shooting activities, which can be prescribed both for the in-house and out-patients.

The last but not the least objective, why this project should be implemented is related to sports. The construction of this facility will definitely help to seek new talents (as it has been articulated before) and cultivate the skills and aptitudes of the existing routes, who nowadays effectively compete on the domestic arena but whose international recognition is still pending.

The benefits of this project are obvious, as well. First of all, considering that there will be a viable possibility to alleviate stress, the rates of the violent behavior within the community are likely to be substantially reduced. In accordance with the police statements, the majority of the crimes perpetrated within the frontiers of the community can be attributed to the inability of the criminal elements to control their emotions. These behavioral patterns can be substantially
amended by the presence of the outdoor shooting range, in accordance with the popular medical opinion, supported by the recent psychological findings of the International Health Organization (Uyugur 12). Secondly, the sport aptitudes and abilities of the local population will be cultivated and it can be hypothetically assumed that new talents capable of effective competing on international and domestic arenas will be identified, trained and sent to the respective competitions. Thirdly, the availability of this facility will make the community consistent with existing international standards of hospitality management. Considering the increasing tempos of business infrastructure development and general welfare enhancement in the city, it is likely to assume that the city will soon attract foreign and domestic investors, whose business trips to our neighborhood are becoming highly possible.

On this assumption, it is reasonable to assume that the presence of outdoor shooting range is dictated by norms of international hospitality management. It is logical to assume that the attention of foreign investors will be favorable, if they are provided with the possibility to realize practically their preferences and likes.

As far as the source data is concerned, it shall be based on the opinions of the academic commentators and available empirical evidence, in particular, the experience of construction of similar projects by the neighboring cities and communities. The combination of theoretical and practical approaches seems to be the most effective strategy in this case, due to the advantage that all the downsides and limitations of the previous experience are duly accentuated. The issues dealing with the engineering aspect of the construction are taken from the engineering reports and existing standards of construction practice. Financial facets of this project have been analyzed on the basis of the similar projects launched within the neighboring communities, as
well as the evaluation of the present market prices in the building materials, fees, salaries and wages, and other overhead expenses of the project.

Another viable and important source of empirical data to be utilized for the needs of this project is the legislation of the United States of America, both of federal and state significance and legal span. Before this facility is built, all the safety measures observed need to be observed, so as to guarantee that no one is harmed in the course of the installation and erection works. Considering the high peril connected with the installation of this facility in the community, safety standards have been outlined in the documents, pursuant to legislation of the United States of America.

The Methods Utilized in the Project

The combination of the various scholarly and non-scholarly methods is to be used in the practical implementation of this project. First and foremost it is necessary to identify that the project consists of the two independent parts. The first, the construction part is concerned with the traditional civil engineering methods and is subjected to separate specialist review and planning. In this report, it is necessary to mention that the engineering process will be fully consistent with the existing standards of practice, the applicable civil engineering legislation and carried out in accordance with the agreed project outline.

As far as the financial methods of cultivation and production are concerned, basic accounting techniques supported by the utilization of contemporary financial software will be used. In particular, it is highly recommended using sales force software application in order to make proper calculations. This software had been progressively utilized by the neighboring communities when a number of similar projects were under development. This application has proved its efficiency and accuracy in terms of data representation and processing. In order to
identify the most beneficial features and locate latent threats and jeopardies of the project, the case study method will be utilized; this will allow gaining required empirical evidence of the similar projects. Moreover, the findings of the empirical evidence must be supported by the scholarly opinion, and; therefore, primary and secondary academic researches need to be indispensable procedures associated with the project implementation.

**The Timetable**

With regard to the timetable required for the project implementation, it is necessary to mention that the project is integrally divided into several parts. The first part is expected to be fully implemented within one month. This part of the project is designed for calculation of estimate costs, financial and legal projections concerning implementation of the project in question. At this stage, the research team will be necessitated to estimate the funds required for the project implementation (excluding the startup costs which have already been calculated). Moreover, at this stage, strong collaboration between the legal, accounting and financial departments of the project team is required, in order to guarantee the legitimacy and academic soundness of the data obtained. The result of this part will be a compilation of the financial plan of the proposed project.

The second stage deals with civil engineering and will encompass approximately two-month term. At this stage, the facilities and buildings, which will constitute the infrastructure of the outdoor shooting range, will be erected, and arms will be the purchased. In accordance with the existing legislation, the foreign arms are allowed to be available in the similar shooting facilities. First, air rifles will be purchased, which are nowadays considered being among the most popular shooting tools in the United States of America, as well as globally. Secondly, small-bore rifles, which are the runner ups in this rally. Thirdly, full bore rifles which are
predominantly used by professionals and are gradually gaining popularity in the United States of America, as well as on the international arena. The presence of these arms is most indispensable, in order to meet the existing international standards for shooting ranges and satisfy the needs of the clients of the shooting range in question.

Specific attention shall be paid to the procedures of safety measures. In particular, backstop capable of stopping the bullets must be erected on the backside of the shooting range. The most effective remedies for this objective are sand butts and angled plates with collectors, which are commonly used in similar installations in the neighboring community and worldwide.

**Staff Required for the Project**

Many specifically oriented professionals are most indispensably needed in order to implement this project. First and foremost, security officers must be appointed, in order to ensure that all the safety measures are observed and necessary precautions are considered and implemented. Secondly, the legal and accounting specialists are to be hired, in order to guarantee that the financial part of the project is implemented in full accordance with the development plan and the existing legal (state and federal) provisions are fully and effectively observed by the staff of the facility as well as guests of the shooting range. Thirdly, the manager is to be appointed, in order to manage the daily affairs of the shooting range, purchase the necessary supplies (such as bullets, arrows for the bows), as well as replace sand butts (which are no longer capable of exercising the functions properly). Moreover, he will need to ensure that automatic target placements are functioning correctly, and nothing inhibits the replacement of the targets (Walsinghan et al. 45).
**Estimated Costs and Budget of the Project**

Considering the nonprofit nature of this project and especially the fact that that type of the shooting facility is outdoors, approximately $10,000 is required, in order to implement the project. The funds are to be utilized in the following way: $5000 are to be spent on the fees, salaries and wages while another $5000 will be used to cover the expenses connected with the engineering process and purchasing of the facilities and equipment needed to put the range into operation.

**Feasibility Issues**

Considering the social character of the project, similar experience of the neighboring communities, and the statement of the civil engineers that the construction of outdoor shooting range is not a task of outstanding complexity, it is necessary to highlight that this project will be implemented successfully, provided that all the guidelines outlined in this plan have been followed precisely and accurately. In general, the project can be classified as highly implementable.

**Summary of the Key Points**

Having analyzed the internal and external paradigms of the project, it shall be outlined that it will be of practical benefit for the local community since it will substantially facilitate the accomplishment of the local recreational, sports, and medical objectives (Sorensen and Magnusson 72). The funds required for the implementation of this project are comparatively small, especially if the alternatives of the project implementation are analyzed. To be more explicit, a swimming pool can be expected to carry out the same functions; however, the construction of a swimming pool is more demanding in terms of finance and engineering taskforce required for the project. The project needs neither plentiful human resources, nor
substantial financial infusions while its implementation can substantially enhance the standards of social welfare of the community. Therefore, it is highly recommended that this project is implemented within the timeframes discussed in this plan.
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