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THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION IMPLEMENTS DISC GOLF IMPROVEMENTS AT WATSON ISLAND

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. March 22, 2023 – The City of Grand Junction is expanding efforts to develop Watson Island with improvements to the disc golf course. Disc golf in the Grand Junction area has grown dramatically in popularity in recent years because of the availability of courses designed specifically for this sport. Improvements at Watson Island were made possible through a collaboration with the Grand Valley Disc Club.

“The Grand Junction Parks and Recreation Department is grateful to partner with the Grand Valley Disc Club to improve the Watson Island Disc Golf Course,” said Ken Sherbenou, Parks and Recreation director. “As the popularity of disc golf continues to grow, we are thrilled we can provide additional amenities at Watson Island for residents who are passionate about this sport as well as those who want to give it a try.”

The improvements at Watson Island include installation of a raw water connection, design and installation of irrigation systems, the revegetation of specified areas, mapping of existing pin locations, and the addition of tee boxes, fairways, and new disc golf baskets. There are 24 new Mach 7 disc golf baskets set to be installed this spring made possible by the partnership with the Grand Valley Disc Golf Club.

The Watson Island Disc Golf Course was established in 2013 with a course length of 4,132 feet and 19 baskets. Participants can play 18-20 holes. Holes 10 and 20 use the same baskets and each has with their own teepad. The course is located adjacent to the Botanical Gardens, and west of Las Colonias, at 655 Struthers Avenue.

The Grand Valley Disc Golf Club is dedicated to growing and improving the sport of disc golf in Mesa County and the surrounding areas by bringing together new and experienced players to enjoy the sport. [More information about the disc golf club.](#) For questions regarding city programming, services or facilities, call Grand Junction Parks and Recreation at 970-254-3866, visit the website at gjcity.org or email giparksandrec@gjcity.org.

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