



Agenda Item:

34

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

City Manager's Office

GENERAL INFORMATION

Agenda Date: 10/10/05
Agenda Item Type: Resolution

Communication No.: 05-561
Roll Call No.:

Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp, Park and Recreation Director

SUBJECT—

Professional Services Agreement for the Concept Design of Skate Parks.

SYNOPSIS—

This action approves a Professional Services Agreement with the Site Design Group, Inc., (Michael R. McIntyre, President, 24 West 5th Street, Suite 202, Tempe, AZ).

FISCAL IMPACT—

\$22,330. Funding is available in the Skate Park Account CP040 PKS990000 PKS164.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

Over the past several years, the Des Moines Park and Recreation Department, Park and Recreation Board and Des Moines City Council have received requests from Des Moines youth for the City to construct a skate park facility within the City. Choosing a site for this facility has been a challenge.

On November 16, 2004, the Park and Recreation Department established a Skate Park Design Committee comprised of area youth and adults interested in the development and construction of a regional skate park in the City limits of Des Moines. This group has met monthly to establish site criteria and develop the Request for Proposals (RFP) to secure a firm to provide design services for this

endeavor. On March 22, 2005, the Park and Recreation Board established a Steering Committee comprised of area residents from throughout the community to assist in this effort.

The Steering Committee has made a recommendation to hire Site Design Group to provide the design services for development of a 30,000 to 50,000 square foot regional skate park and four neighborhood skate ledge zones. Site Design is a nationally recognized skate park design firm that specializes in skate park design and construction.

The Scope of Services for this project is divided into two parts, PART A and PART B.

PART A will include the design of four conceptual plans for neighborhood Skate Park Ledges. These conceptual designs will be utilized to plan and construct skate parks within existing neighborhood parks. The conceptual designs are not site specific.

PART B is for the concept design of a Regional Skate Park for a specific site. The Regional Skate Park site has not been identified. Staff is assessing available properties, and a site should be identified this winter. The consultant will assist in the site identification process, but will not begin concept design until a site is chosen. The completed concept design for a Regional Skate Park will be utilized to promote donor funding to complement City funding and for public input and presentations.