

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	20-371	Meeting:	August 17, 2020
	Agenda Item:	44D	Roll Call:	20-1351
	Submitted by:	Benjamin R. Page, Park and Recreation Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Landscape Structures (Steve King, Founder, Chairman of the Board) for purchase of playground equipment for Union Park per National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance contract for use by Parks and Recreation Department, \$138,053.

SYNOPSIS:

Approving the procurement of play structures and freestanding play features for Union Park. The play equipment is to be direct sourced from Outdoor Recreation Products using the NCPA agreement under member number #10-03.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Donation of \$85,000. Total cost is \$138,053.

Funding Source: Donation \$85,000. Remaining \$53,053: 2021-2026 CIP, Page Park Improvements - 19, Park Playground Improvements, PK185, Being \$53,053 G.O. Bonds Issued.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The NCPA agreement meets all bidding requirements and was vetted and authorized by the central finance office. Equipment manufacturer shall be Landscape Structures, Inc. (LSI), which is of high quality, manufactured in Delano, MN and currently in use in 18 of the playgrounds across the City. The direct source approach will save the City considerable resources as an 8% discount is guaranteed through the NCPA agreement and staff time is reduced because the competitive bid process is already complete.
- The Union Park playground is a project of Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines, made possible via a donation from Meredith Corporation Foundation and volunteer work completed by Meredith Corporation employees. This will be the 15th City park and/or playground revitalization project supported by the generosity of Meredith Corporation and its foundation.
- Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines is an affiliate of Rebuilding Together, Inc., a national non-profit organization dedicated principally to helping low-income homeowners, through home renovation and repair. The mission statement of Rebuilding Together is to preserve and revitalize houses and communities, assuring that qualified homeowners, particularly those who are elderly and disabled, and families with children, live in warmth, safety, and independence.

- Union Park improvements as part of the Rebuilding Together project will include new playground equipment and surfacing (meeting all safety and accessibility standards) in both the 2-year-old to 5-year-old and the 5-year-old to 12-year-old playgrounds. Possible other improvements such as tree planting may be included with the project.
- The community build day at Union Park will be held on October 15, 2020.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Donation and Construction Agreement with Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines, regarding Union Park improvements.

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