



**City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
FINANCIAL ITEMS**

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Legislative File No: 2005-0885

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Alan Buckenmeyer, Park Operations Manager
DATE: December 20, 2005
SUBJECT: Playground Equipment Purchase

REQUEST:

City Council authorization for a blanket purchase order to Michigan Playgrounds, Inc. of Holland, Michigan to supply and install playground equipment and safety surfacing in Avondale and Spencer Parks for a not to exceed amount of \$45,000.

REASON FOR PURCHASE:

The playground project replaces and upgrades equipment at Spencer and Avondale Parks. The current equipment is worn from use and age and has raised safety and compliance concerns with both the Consumer's Product Safety Commission's (CPSC) guidelines and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) standards for public playgrounds. We will also be able to upgrade the play features using new elements that will make the play areas more exciting and challenging.

PROCESS:

A Capital Improvement Project (CIP) was developed to replace and upgrade playgrounds within the City's parks. The project is identified as PK-17A, Playground Upgrades and was expected to take several years to accomplish. The intent was to work with a single company for the entire project to standardize the City's playground equipment and to minimize the parts inventory necessary for maintenance. The City used a Request for Proposal to select a company that could provide a wide range of services including design and installation as well as a strong knowledge of the CPSC and ASTM requirements, both of which have been adopted as law in the State of Michigan. A group consisting of City staff, community schools staff and private citizens reviewed the proposals and selected Michigan Playgrounds, Inc. for the project. Michigan Playgrounds has installed seven playgrounds for the City to date.

Vendor Name and Address:

Michigan Playgrounds, Inc.
102 Walnut Ave.
Holland, MI 49423

Reason for Selection:

Request for Proposals

Method of Purchase:

Blanket Purchase Order

BUDGET:

Funds for this project are in the 2006 Facilities Budget, line item 631-974000, Land Improvements, PK-17A, Playground ADA & CPSC Upgrades.

Equipment costs are scheduled to increase after January 27, 2006. By ordering before that date we can get 2005 pricing. The equipment will not be delivered and installed until spring.

| Fund Name | Department Account No | Account No. Description | Budget Amount | Cost | Remaining Budget |
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| Facilities | 631.974000 | Land Improvements PK-17A – Playground ADA & CPSC Upgrades | \$45,000 | \$45,000 | 0 |
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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that a blanket purchase order be issued to Michigan Playgrounds, Inc. of Holland, Michigan, to supply and install playground equipment and safety surfacing in Avondale and Spencer Parks for a not of exceed amount of \$45,000.

RESOLUTION

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| APPROVALS: | SIGNATURE | DATE |
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| Department Review | | |
| Department Director | | |
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| Mayor | | |
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