



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Brad Reid, Director of Parks and Recreation

Date: April 24, 2018

Reference: Consider approval of the acquisition and installation of a replacement playground, a new playground shade structure and four (4) benches at Magnolia Park in the amount of \$95,806.29 from The Playwell Group Inc., contract pricing through BuyBoard, Contract No. 512-16, as budgeted, and authorizing the City Manager to sign any necessary documents.

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General Information:

- The playground to be replaced has reached the end of its useful service life.
- The new playground shade structure is a feature proposed for all future playground renovations and replacements.
- Four (4) 6' Park Benches have reached the end of their service life.
- Contract pricing obtained through BuyBoard cooperative purchasing program (BuyBoard Contract No. 512-16).

Introduction:

The Parks and Recreation Department sets an initial life expectancy on all playground units introduced into the park system to consistently maintain safe, reliable and enjoyable playground features. During its service life, each playground is scheduled for monthly playground inspections by certified playground safety inspectors on staff to look at wear and tear and safety issues. Replacement is based on the results of those observations and inspections.

Analysis:

The Magnolia Park playground and park benches were originally purchased and installed by a developer and then dedicated to the Parks and Recreation Department in 1999, along with the park property. The elements being replaced fall below the standard of municipal grade playground structures in the areas of durability and longevity. Shade structures over playgrounds is a desirable feature identified by citizens in the 2017 Master Plan document. Staff met with the Magnolia Park

HOA Vice President on site and shared the design concept of the playground and new shade structure that are proposed and it was a well-received recommendation. Continued wear and tear on the existing playground unit could lead to reduced service levels to the community and potential safety related issues.

Legal Review:

Agenda item did not require legal review

Fiscal Impact:

The fiscal impact is \$95,806.29

Recommendation:

The Parks and Recreation Department recommends approval of this item.