



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 7, 2010

CONSENT CALENDAR

SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR BARISTO PARK
AND DESERT HIGHLAND PARK

FROM: David H. Ready, City Manager

BY: Parks and Recreation

SUMMARY

The playground equipment at Baristo Park and Desert Highland Park is in need of replacement to both modernize and bring them into compliance with current regulatory standards for accessibility. This action by the Council would approve the purchase of new equipment for both parks utilizing pricing offered through cooperative purchase agreements from US Communities and the Houston Galveston Area Council (HGAC) with funds allocated in Measure "Y" and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve the purchase of playground equipment for Baristo Park from Great Western Park & Playground, Inc. in a total amount not-to-exceed \$109,867.02, including installation, utilizing the US Communities Cooperative Purchase contract #040376.14 for public agencies in the State of California.
2. Approve the purchase of playground equipment for Desert Highland Park from Miracle Recreation Equipment Company in a total amount not-to-exceed \$115,091.85, including installation, utilizing the HGAC Cooperative Purchase contract #PR11-08, for public agencies in the State of California.
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

Over the past several years the Parks Division has been working toward the replacement and upgrade of existing play structures in City parks to both modernize them and bring them into compliance with current regulatory standards for accessibility. The proposed structures at Baristo Park and Desert Highland Park are the play structures being upgraded.

Great Western Park & Playground Inc. and Miracle Recreation Equipment Company both provide the most extensive materials warranty in the industry and their equipment

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is fully compliant with current standards, including ADA, in the State of California. In addition, due to their competitively bid cooperative contracts through the national US Communities and Houston Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Programs, we are able to obtain substantial discounts for the equipment by taking advantage of these programs.

Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 7.09.010 the City Council may authorize the acquisition of supplies, equipment or services through a joint powers or other cooperative purchasing program provided the vendor was selected through a competitive process. US Communities and HGAC are two of the premier national cooperative purchasing programs that the City has utilized before and in accordance with the code, the Procurement Manager finds that the competitive processes conducted by each cooperative is sufficient to protect the public interest and that the total cost of the playground equipment is likely to be less than could be obtained by conducting an independent city process at this time.

The play equipment replacement program has received a majority of its' funding in recent years from the annual Measure "Y" allocation for Parks and Recreation Department. The annual allocation for the Parks and Recreation Department from Measure "Y" funds is intended to be used for capital improvements to the City's various parks and recreation facilities.

In addition, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds were allocated for these two (2) projects.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The grand total is \$224,958.87 for the playground equipment and installation with funds allocated in Measure "Y" Improvements and Community Development Block Grant program.

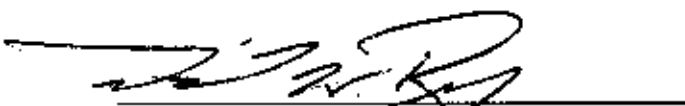
Funds are available in Account Number 261-2494-51570, Playground Equipment Repair, Measure "Y" improvements (\$100,000); Account Number 261-2494-51500, General Park Improvements (\$28,258.87); Account Number 137-4810-63575, Baristo Park Playground, CDBG Regular (\$46,330); and Account Number 137-4811-63581, JOJ Desert Highland Play Structure, CDBG Recovery (\$50,370).



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