



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

Action Item for the City Council Meeting October 14, 2025

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**DATE:** October 14, 2025

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Construction Contract Award</u></b> <b>Oak Park Playground Upgrades (CDBG)</b></p>
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**CAPTION:**

Motion to award a construction contract to Bonco, LLC, Driscoll, Texas, for the City-Wide Park Upgrades Oak Park Playground project, in an amount not to exceed \$310,056.18, located in Council District 1, with FY 2026 funding available from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

**SUMMARY:**

This motion approves a construction contract for the installation of new playground structure and shade structure. The scope includes playground structure with surfacing area made of rubber poured-in-place material, 44x40 foot shade structure and accessible sidewalk improvements.

**BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Oak Park was part of the City-Wide Park Upgrades project which was part of the CIP program approved by Council in FY 2023, 2024 and 2025. The project entered Bid Phase as part of a bundled package alongside other playground initiatives. The bids received exceeded the allocated budget. To secure adequate funding for construction, the Oak Park playground was separated from the bundle and reclassified as a standalone initiative. The Parks and Recreation Department in collaboration with the Planning & Community Development Department, successfully secured financial support through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program on March 25, 2025, in the amount of \$320,000, enabling the shovel-ready project to move forward.

Oak Park is nestled in Central City, surrounded by a well-established neighborhood that offers a peaceful green space ideal for events and family gatherings. The new playground is designed to strengthen community bonds by encouraging imaginative play, creativity and problem-solving among children. It will also promote physical activity and outdoor recreation.

There is no current playground structure at this park. The project scope includes the installation of a Picket Playground Structure (for ages 2 to 5 years old) with a rubber-poured-in-place surfacing area for safety and durability. The pour in place is warranted against defects in materials and workmanship for five years. New curbing will be added around the play zone to meet drainage requirements, and a 40x44 foot shade structure will be constructed above the playground to provide sun protection. The average life expectancy of the shade structure is 10 years. Accessible sidewalk improvements will be constructed as needed to ensure the connection to the playground meets ADA requirements.

**PROJECT TIMELINE:**

2023 - 2024	2025	2026
March - August	July - October	November - January
Design	Bid/Award	Construction

Project schedule reflects award in October 2025 with anticipated completion by January 2026.

**COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS:**

On July 20, 2025, the Contracts and Procurement Department issued a Request for Bids (RFB #6690) for the City-Wide Park Upgrades Oak Park Playground (CDBG) project.

On August 27, 2025, the City received three bids. The City analyzed the bids according to the contract documents and determined that Bonco, LLC was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. As the lowest bid received was within the acceptable range of the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost, the City has elected to proceed with the project. A summary of the bid is provided below.

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BID SUMMARY	
CONTRACTOR	BASE BID
<b>Bonco, LLC (Driscoll, Texas)</b>	<b>\$310,056.18</b>
AZ Rebar Construction, Inc. (Corpus Christi, Texas)	\$310,623.00
Gourley Contractors, LLC (Corpus Christi, Texas)	\$338,250.70
DGS General Construction Group, LLC (Corpus Christi, Texas)	\$360,492.84
<b><i>Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost</i></b>	<b>\$371,567.00</b>

Bonco, LLC has more than 14 years of construction experience and has completed numerous projects.

- Nueces County Septic Improvements Project – Nueces County Precinct #2  
Project Value: \$494,000.00 | Completion Date: to be completed 12/2025
- The Salvation Army Facilities Improvements (CDBG) – Corpus Christi, TX  
Project Value: \$125,000.00 | Completion Date: 9/2025
- Lion/Shelly Park Renovations – Refugio, TX  
Project Value: \$90,000.00 | Completion Date: 8/2024
- City Hall Volunteer Fire Department Generators ARPA Project – Gregory, TX  
Project Value: \$403,000.00 | Completion Date: 4/2024

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The alternative is not to award the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Bonco, LLC. This would result in delays with the planned improvements at Oak Park. Additionally, this decision could jeopardize the funding already secured through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact in FY2026 is an amount of \$310,056.18 with funds available from the 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) approved by City Council on March 25, 2025. The CIP project page is included in the package. This project was budgeted at \$392,301.00. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding was secured in the amount of \$320,000.00.

**FUNDING DETAIL:**

Fund: CDBG Grants (Fund 1059)  
Department: Parks&Rec (27)  
Org: Grants and Capital Projects (89)  
Account: Construction (550910)  
Activity: 852514F  
Amount \$310,056.18

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommend awarding a construction contract for the City-Wide Park Upgrades Oak Park Playground (CDBG) project to Bonco, LLC for the Oak Park improvements in an amount not to exceed \$310,056.18 with anticipated completion by January 2026.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Location & Vicinity Maps  
Bid Tab  
CIP Page  
PowerPoint