



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting January 10, 2023

**DATE:** January 10, 2023

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### Purchase of Playground Equipment for West Guth Park

#### **CAPTION:**

Motion authorizing the purchase of an additional new playground unit and a new three-bay swing set for West Guth Park from Cunningham Recreation, of Charlotte, North Carolina, for a total amount of \$63,719.44, with funding from Bond 2020.

#### **SUMMARY:**

This motion authorizes the purchase of a playground unit with a fabric shade structure and a three-bay swing set with an attached fabric shade structure for West Guth Park. The equipment will be purchased through Cunningham Recreation Charlotte, North Carolina through Omnia Partners Cooperative.

#### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting authorization to purchase a new playground unit with a fabric shade structure and a new three-bay swing set with an attached fabric shade structure for West Guth Park through Game Time c/o Cunningham Recreation Charlotte, North Carolina through the Omnia Partners Cooperative.

As part of the 2020 Bond, amenities will be added to West Guth Park to provide regional, park-like enhancements. The addition of a new playground unit will provide a safe space for children, ages two to five years old, to play. The new playground unit will complement the existing playground unit that is intended for children ages five to 12 years old. The three-bay swing set will accommodate children two years old and above. Both the playground unit and swing set will be covered by their own sail shade structures, allowing for continuous hours play while reducing direct sun exposure.

The new playground unit and new swing set will be collocated next to the existing playground unit for children ages five to 12 years old. The playground unit will include two zip slides, a bubble climber, a ridge climber, and a thundering panel. The new playground unit is pour-in-play, with an

expected lifespan is eight years.

The equipment is expected to arrive within 10 to 12 weeks after approval of this item, and the total installation is expected to take 16 weeks after contract award.

Enhancing West Guth Park is in line with the 10-year Parks and Recreation Master Plan as a near-term priority investment by offering broader (and equitably distributed) recreational amenities and improving the conditions of current facilities/grounds. Additionally, playground equipment/play areas and large community parks were rated as high priority for investments by the Parks and Recreation Department, according to community survey/outreach conducted by the consultant in the development of the 10-year Master Plan.

#### **PROCUREMENT DETAIL:**

This procurement is through the OMNIA Partners Cooperative. The one-time purchase awarded through Game Time c/o Cunningham Recreation Charlotte, North Carolina, has been competitively procured in compliance with the Texas Local and State procurement requirements.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council may choose to not approve or delay consideration of this item. Disapproval or delay could result in negative impacts to service delivery at West Guth and ultimately contradict the intent of the 2020 Bond Program.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Expenditures for purchase of the replacement playground equipment will total an amount of \$63,719.44, with funding from Bond 2020.

#### **FUNDING DETAIL:**

Fund:	3296	PK&R 2021 Bd20
Organization/Activity:	21084-3296-EXP	
Mission Element:	141	Manage & Maintain Parks/Open Spaces
Project # (CIP Only):	21084	West Guth Park
Account:	55040	Other Equipment

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this motion authorizing the purchase of a playground unit and a three-bay swing set for West Guth Park from Game Time c/o Cunningham Recreation, of Charlotte, North Carolina, as presented.

#### **LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Price Sheet