

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Rob Sperl, Director of Parks and Planning
Steve Hinchee, Superintendent of Planning

THROUGH: Michael Benard, Executive Director

RE: 2022 Backstop Replacement Projects

DATE: July 15, 2022



SUMMARY:

Staff worked with the athletic department and youth baseball to determine their needs for the replacement of the backstops at the following parks:

- Atten Park – Field #15
- Graf Park – Fields #3, #4 & #5
- Hoffman Park – Field #21

The new backstops will be taller, and have higher sideline and dugout fences which will provide greater safety for the players and patrons at the park. Extended netting (similar to what was installed at the Central Athletic Complex) has been requested for Field #4 at Graf Park to prevent errant foul balls from flying towards the railroad or the detention area.

Staff prepared the plans and specifications. The bids were solicited on June 9, 2022 from 20 contractors, and were opened on June 23, 2022. The bid results were as follows:

Contractor	Atten Park Field #15	Graf Park Field #3	Graf Park Field #4	Graf Park Field #5	Hoffman Park Field #21	Total
Arena Fence	\$57,910.00	\$47,975.00	\$55,700.00	\$48,610.00	\$57,360.00	\$267,555.00
ProLine Fence	\$76,622.00	\$67,544.00	\$97,842.00	\$72,884.00	\$76,622.00	\$391,514.00
Northern IL Fence	\$84,240.00	\$77,615.00	\$70,640.00	\$77,615.00	\$84,240.00	\$394,350.00
Action Fence	\$131,719.15	\$104,307.75	\$53,610.80	104,307.75	\$108,755.80	\$398,393.50

Arena has successfully completed projects for the park district in the past.

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTION:

N/A

REVENUE OR FUNDING IMPLICATIONS:

The FY2022 budget items that will be used to pay for these backstop projects are as follows:

Budget Item	Budget Amount	Account #
Atten Backstop Fence – Field 15	\$20,000	40-800-805-57-5701-0000
Graf Backstops (Fields 3/4/5)	\$140,000	40-800-815-57-5701-0000
Hoffman Backstop Replacement- Field 21	\$40,000	40-800-818-57-5701-0000
District Wide Backstop Repair	\$20,000	40-101-000-53-5301-0000
Total	\$220,000	

Additionally, several contractors have stated that fence material prices have recently increased.

To date, we have not spent any funds on backstop projects from these funds.

STAKEHOLDER PROCESS:

Staff consulted with the athletic department and youth baseball in the design and scheduling of the new backstop projects.

LEGAL REVIEW:

Our legal counsel provided the front end bid documents and sample legal agreement that will be used with the selected bidder.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioner's accept the bid from Arena Fence for a cost of \$267,555.00 plus a 10% contingency (\$ 26,755.50).
