TO:	Board of Commissioners	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ WHEATON PARK DISTRICT
FROM:	Rob Sperl, Director of Parks & Planning Steve Hinchee, Superintendent of Planning	STATE OF
THROUGH:	Michael Benard, Executive Director	
RE:	Hoffman Park Playground Safety Surface	
DATE:	June 21 2023	

# **SUMMARY:**

As a part of the planned Hoffman Park playground replacement, playground safety surfacing must be installed. Staff is continuing to recommend unitary surfacing for consistency of safety and accessibility. Our bid specifications are written to allow for a variety of surfacing types that will meet the current standards for fall protection and accessibility.

Plans and specifications were prepared by staff and sent to 20 contractors. Bids were solicited on May 9, 2023 and they were opened on May 23, 2023. The results were as follows:

Contractor	Surface Type	Base Bid	Alternate 1- Ten Year Warranty*
Perfect Turf LLC	Art. Turf	\$86,200.00	+\$10,344.00
Innovative Sport Surfacing	Poured-in-place	\$84,444.00	included

Innovative Sport Surfacing is the lowest responsive bid for materials and installation. Lab tests were provided to demonstrate the surface meets specifications. References were checked and were favorable.

Alternate #1 requested an additional cost for a ten-year extended warranty. This is recommended to ensure the surface lasts at least half the expected life cycle of the playground equipment. *(\*This is done to create a level basis of bid as terms of company warranties can vary)*. Innovative Sport Surfacing included a 10-year extended warranty for no charge within their base bid.

# PREVIOUS COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTION:

The purchase of playground equipment from NuToys was approved at the March 15, 2023 board meeting.

# **REVENUE OR FUNDING IMPLICATIONS:**

\$160,000 is budgeted within the current fiscal year (40-800-818-57-5701-0000). Another \$40,000 is budgeted in accessibility funding (40-000-000-12-1224-0000) and is partly to allow

for unitary safety surfacing which is bid separately. The projects crew will perform all removals, site work (such as concrete sidewalks and curbs), and installation of the playground equipment.

The anticipated costs are as follows:

Item	Cost	
Equipment - NuToys	\$75,675.00	Purchased
Safety Surfacing	\$84,444.00	Proposed
Removals	\$4,800.00	Estimated
Site Furniture	\$7,000.00	Estimated
Landscape	\$5,000.00	Estimated
Misc. Site Work	\$15,000.00	Estimated
Total	\$191,919.00	

# **STAKEHOLDER PROCESS:**

N/A

### **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:**

It is recommended that the Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioners approve a contract for the provision and installation of the Hoffman Park Playground Safety Surfacing base bid and alternate 1 from Innovative Sport Surfacing in the amount of \$84,444.00.