

TO: Board of Commissioners

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

THROUGH: Michael Benard, Executive Director

RE: Prairie Path Park Playground Equipment Purchase

DATE: July 16, 2025



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**SUMMARY:**

Staff submitted an application for playground equipment at Prairie Path Park through the Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA) statewide funding initiative for playground and fitness equipment in parks. The playground replacement was already planned and included in the budget. The grant funding would represent substantial savings from pricing the district would normally be eligible for through cooperative purchasing.

On June 12, 2025, staff was informed the application was successful. The purchase would be completed through the OMNIA purchasing agreement with additional discounts applied. Below is a summary of what the discounts would be. There are two options available through the funding initiative.

Catalogue Pricing	Standard OMNIA	IPRA Initiative OMNIA pay following delivery	IPRA Initiative OMNIA pay up front
\$148,169.09	\$110, 717.07 25% Discount	\$93,700.51 37% Discount	\$82,183.08 45% Discount

*An analysis of discounts offered as a part of past playground bids found the average to be approximately 27.5%*

**PREVIOUS COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTION:**

It has been previously requested that we obtain board approval prior to applying for any grants. The Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA) statewide funding initiative for playground and fitness equipment in parks was presented at the May 7, 2025 subcommittee meeting.

**REVENUE OR FUNDING IMPLICATIONS:**

Account	Description	Budget
40-800-836-57-5701-0000	Prairie Path Park Playground Replacement	\$180,000

Staff anticipated the remaining expenses to construct the playground, including safety surfacing and site work will be within the budget set for this project.

**STAKEHOLDER PROCESS:**

A survey of the neighborhood around Prairie Path Park was recently conducted and was shared with GameTime to develop the design.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

Staff will work with legal counsel to develop an agreement for the purchase of playground equipment.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Award letter & certificate

Proposed layout plan & costs with discount applied

**ALTERNATIVES:**

A smaller discount is available for payment following delivery of the equipment.

Our typical process for obtaining playgrounds could be carried out. However, it is a much more involved and lengthy process and could push the schedule into next year without the savings currently expected.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioner's approve the purchase of playground equipment from GameTime in the amount of \$82,183.08



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June 12, 2025

Steve Hinchee ,

On behalf of GameTime and Cunningham Recreation, I wanted to personally congratulate you and your community on receiving funding from GameTime as part of the 2025 IPRA Statewide Training and Funding Initiative. Now more than ever, high-quality outdoor environments have proven to be essential to the communities we collectively serve, healing the minds, bodies, and spirits of children, families, and citizens across the state.

I've included a copy of a funding award certificate, and some background information on the various National Demonstration Sites that will be part of finalizing your design and project. Your specific funding award will be determined once your playground design is completed.

Again, congratulations on your upcoming project and thank you for all you do to enrich childhood and build communities through play. I look forward to seeing the impact your new National Demonstration Site has on your community!

Sincerely,

Robert V. Barron  
Senior Vice President, GameTime





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## FUNDING AWARD CERTIFICATE

This certificate entitles

Prarie Path Park

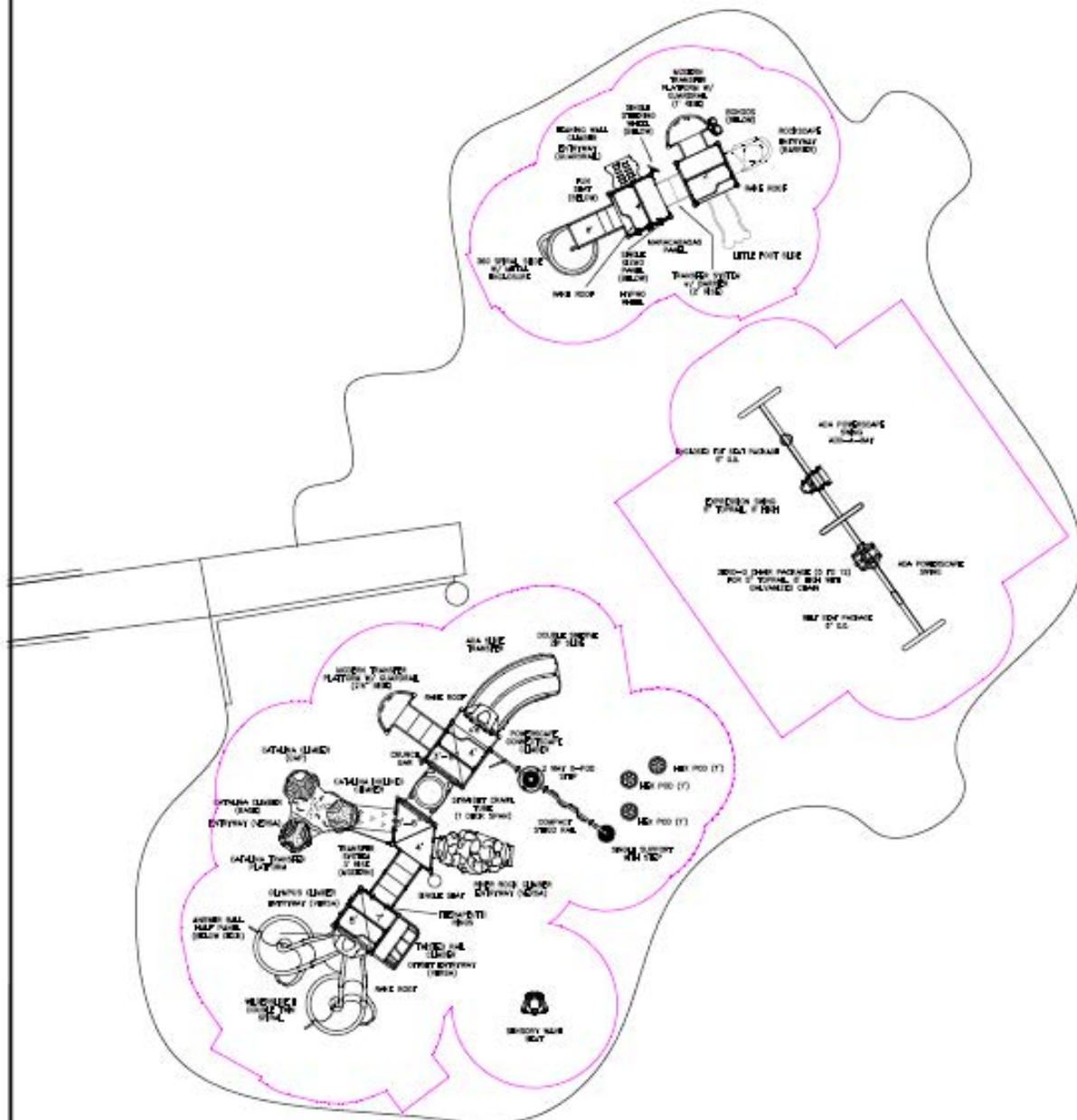
to GameTime/IPRA Statewide Program funding.





Funds are awarded based on need and according to the terms outlined in the IPRA Statewide Funding Initiative application. Final funding amount will be determined once the NDS playground designs are completed, and funds will be applied to the purchase of the qualifying play system. Other terms and conditions may apply. Contact your GameTime Representative, for complete details about the funds awarded to your IPRA Initiative playground and recreation project.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert V. Barron". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Robert V. Barron  
Senior Vice President

## Proposed Layout Plan



	PROJECT TITLE: Wheaton Park District Wheaton Prairie Path Wheaton, IL	This play equipment is recommended for children ages: 3-5 & 5-12	Minimum Area Required:  	  
	PROPOSED DATE: Cunningham Recreation	DRAWING NO: 175860-01-01	DRAWN BY: LO	





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 Charlotte, NC 28224  
 800.438.2780  
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## Wheaton Prairie Path (2025 IPRA - Cash with Order)

Wheaton Park District  
 Attn: Steve Hinchee  
 102 East Wesley Street  
 Wheaton, IL 60187  
 United States  
 Phone: 630-510-4976  
 Fax: 630-665-8946  
 shinchee@wheatonparks.org

Ship to Zip 60187

Quantity	Part #	Description	Unit Price	Amount
1	RDU	GameTime - Powerscape/Xscape Modular Structure for Ages 5-12 (per drawing) [RotoPlastic: _____] [RotoPlastic2: _____] [Accent: _____] [HDPE: _____] [Basic: _____] [Deck:Pvc: _____] [Accent2: _____] [UniPlastic: _____] [Tube: _____] [2ColorHDPE: _____]	\$88,128.17	\$88,128.17
		(1) 5209 -- Catalina Climber Base		
		(1) 5210 -- Catalina Climber Cap		
		(1) 5252 -- Catalina ChallengeTransfer Platform		
		(1) 5254 -- Catalina Inclined Climber2'Pedestal		
		(1) 16465 -- Slide Transfer (Ada)		
		(1) 16701 -- Ada 49"Tri Punch Steel Dk		
		(1) 16819 -- Ada 12"Stepped Platform		
		(1) 26057 -- 2 Way X-Pod Step		
		(3) 26094 -- Triangular Shroud		
		(1) 26142 -- Single With Step		
		(1) 26165 -- 4'-0" Connectscape Climber		
		(1) 27100 -- Compact Stego Rail		
		(3) 32022 -- Hex Pod Step (1')		
		(2) 5421RP -- RAKE ROOF		
		(1) 5484RP -- Transfer System 3' (Modern)		
		(1) 80001 -- 49"Tri Punched Steel Deck		
		(1) 80078 -- 6"Stepped Platform		
		(1) 81670 -- Crunch Bar		
		(1) 81680 -- Single Seat		
		(1) 81688 -- Therapeutic Rings Atch		
		(2) 90266 -- 8' Upright, Alum		
		(2) 90268 -- 10' Upright, Alum		
		(2) 90269 -- 11' Upright, Alum		
		(2) 90270 -- 12' Upright, Alum		



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Quantity	Part #	Description	Unit Price	Amount
		(2) 90273 -- 15' Upright, Alum		
		(1) 90369 -- River Rock Climber		
		(1) 90579 -- Double Swerve Slide		
		(1) 90593 -- Straight Crawl Tube (1 Deck Span)		
		(1) 90843 -- Double Twin Spiral		
		(1) 91501 -- Olympus Climber - 7'0 thru 8'0 attac		
		(1) 91530 -- Twisted Rail Climber 6'6"/7'		
		(1) 91572 -- Answer Ball Half Panel		
		(1) 91713 -- Modern Transfer w/Guard 2'-6" Rise		
		(3) 91931 -- Entryway (Versa)		
		(1) 91934 -- Offset Entryway (Versa)		
		(2) G90262 -- 4' Upright, Galv		
		(2) G90270 -- 12' Upright, Galv		
		(2) G90273 -- 15' Upright, Galv		
1	RDU	GameTime - Powerscape Swings [Basic: _____] [RotoPlastic: _____]	\$8,695.00	\$8,695.00
		(1) 5145 -- Expression Swing 5" X 8'		
		(1) 8914 -- Encl Tot Seat 5"Od(8914)		
		(1) 8918 -- Belt Seat Pkg 5"Od(8918)		
		(1) 10847 -- Ada Two-Place Swing F/S, 5" Od		
		(1) 10848 -- Ada Two-Place Swing Add-A-Bay, 5" Od		
		(1) 81750 -- 5" Zero-G Chair (5-12)-Galv Chain		
1	3274	GameTime - Sensory Wave Seat [Accent: _____] [Basic: _____] [Roto Plastic: _____]	\$2,753.00	\$2,753.00
1	RDU	GameTime - Powerscape Modular Structure for Ages 2-5 (per drawing) [Deck:Pvc: _____] [Basic: _____] [RotoPlastic: _____] [Tube: _____] [Accent: _____] [RockPlastic: _____] [HDPE: _____] [2ColorHDPE: _____] [Accent2: _____]	\$42,403.00	\$42,403.00
		(1) 4958 -- Hypno Wheel		
		(2) 80000 -- 49" Sq Punched Steel Deck		
		(1) 80931 -- Single Gizmo Panel		
		(1) 81666 -- Fun Seat		
		(1) 81691 -- Single Steering Wheel		
		(1) 81699 -- Bongos		
		(1) 90021 -- 2'-0" Transfer System W/ Barrier		



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Quantity	Part #	Description	Unit Price	Amount
		(1) 90088 -- 2' Rockscape Climber		
		(1) 90252 -- 4' Leaning Wall Climber		
		(2) 90266 -- 8' Upright, Alum		
		(1) 90530 -- 2'1/2'-6" Little Foot Slide W/Enclosu		
		(1) 90885 -- 360 Spiral Slide 4' w/metal enc		
		(1) 91139 -- Entryway - Barrier		
		(1) 91146 -- Entryway - Guardrail		
		(1) 91550 -- Maracabras Panel		
		(1) 91711 -- Modern Transfer w/Guardrail 1' Rise		
		(2) 91876 -- Rake Roof		
		(4) G90267 -- 9' Upright, Galv		
		(4) G90269 -- 11' Upright, Galv		
1	14927	GameTime - NDS Play On Sign Package		
1	178749	GameTime - Owner's Kit	\$92.08	\$92.08
1	2025IPRA	MISC - IPRA Funding Initiative- Terms and Conditions: Matching funds offer applies to PowerScape® (including Spire®, Altus® and Aventus® Towers), PrimeTime® (including the Odyssey®), Xscape®, and Modern City®, and The Stadium® play systems only. Up to 50% matching funds for select outdoor fitness equipment, including THRIVE®, Challenge Course, and The Stadium®. VistaRope®, freestanding net structures, TuffForms, Landmark Design, GTSymphony freestanding, other freestanding play products, and Play On! non-system events are not eligible for funding. GameTime playground grants can only be applied to additional GameTime purchases and only in conjunction with the original purchase. Standard policies and warranties as listed in the 2024 GameTime Playground Design Guide apply. Freight and applicable sales tax are extra and not included. GameTime reserves the right to decline any application for a GameTime grant. GameTime will accept grant orders until December 31, 2025, or until all eligible funds are disbursed, whichever comes first. Customer must be able to receive order by December 31, 2025, subject to transportation availability.		
Contract: OMNIA #2017001134			<b>Sub Total</b>	\$142,071.25
			<b>Discount</b>	(\$65,986.01)
			<b>Material Surcharge</b>	\$4,297.84
			<b>Freight</b>	\$1,800.00
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$82,183.08</b>

### Comments

\* MATERIALS ONLY: Quotation does not include any site work, off-loading, storage, safety surfacing, or installation.

\* Taxes, if applicable, will be applied at the time of invoice. Please provide a copy of your tax exempt certificate to avoid the addition of taxes.





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### GAMETIME - TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- **PRICING:** Due to fluctuating economic conditions, pricing is valid for 30 days and is subject to change. Please request updated pricing if your quote is older than 30 days before making a purchase.
- **TERMS OF SALE:** For equipment & material purchases, Net 30 days from date of invoice for governmental agencies and those with approved credit. All others, full payment for equipment, taxes and freight up front. Balance for services & materials due upon completion or as otherwise negotiated upon credit application review. Pre-payment may be required for equipment orders totaling less than \$5,000. Payment by VISA, MasterCard, or AMEX is accepted (**If you elect to pay by credit card, GameTime charges a 2.50% processing fee that is assessed on the amount of your payment. This fee is shown as a separate line item and included in the total amount charged to your credit card. You have the option to pay by check, ACH or Wire without any additional fees.**). Checks should be made payable to Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. dba GameTime unless otherwise directed. Any order exceeding \$300,000 will require progress payments during the course of completion.
- **CREDIT APPLICATION:** Required for all non-governmental agencies and those entities who have not purchased from GameTime within the previous twelve calendar months.
- **FINANCE CHARGE:** A 1.5% monthly finance charge (or maximum permitted by law) will be added to all invoices over 30 days past due.
- **CASH WITH ORDER DISCOUNT:** Orders for GameTime equipment paid in full at time of order via check or electronic funds transfer (EFT) are eligible for a 3% cash-with-order (CWO) discount. Consult local sales representative for CWO terms.
- **ORDERS:** All orders shall be in writing by purchase order, signed quotation or similar documentation. Purchase orders must be made out to Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. dba GameTime.
- **FREIGHT CHARGES:** Shipments shall be F.O.B. destination. Freight charges prepaid and added separately.
- **SHIPMENT:** Standard Lead time is 6-8 weeks (*some items may take longer*) after receipt and acceptance of purchase order, credit application, color selections and approved drawings or submittals.
- **PACKAGING:** All goods shall be packaged in accordance with acceptable commercial practices and marked to preclude confusion during unloading and handling.
- **RECEIPT OF GOODS:** Customer shall coordinate, receive, unload, inspect and provide written acceptance of shipment. Any damage to packaging or equipment must be noted when signing delivery ticket. If damages are noted, receiver must submit a claim to Cunningham Recreation within 15 Days. Receiver is also responsible for taking inventory of the shipment and reporting any concealed damage or discrepancy in quantities received within 60 days of receipt.
- **RETURNS:** Returns are only available on shipments delivered within the last 60 days. A 25% (min.) restocking fee will be deducted from any credit due. Customer is responsible for all packaging & shipping charges. Credit is based on condition of items upon return. All returns must be in unused and merchantable condition. GameTime reserves the right to deduct costs associated with restoring returned goods to merchantable condition. Uprights & custom products cannot be returned.
- **TAXES:** Sales tax is shown as a separate line item when included. A copy of your tax exemption certificate must be submitted at time of order or taxes will be added to your invoice.

### SUPPLY ONLY:

- All items are quoted supply only.
- Installation services are not included.
- Customer is responsible for coordinating delivery, receipt, unloading, and inventory equipment.
- Missing or damaged equipment must be reported within 60 days of delivery.



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### ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION:

Acceptance of this proposal indicates your agreement to the terms and conditions stated herein.

Accepted By (printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Amount: \$82,183.08

SALES TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE #: \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF CERTIFICATE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Salesperson's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

### BILLING INFORMATION:

Bill to: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### SHIPPING INFORMATION:

Ship to: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_