CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL



Agenda Item 1 October 6, 2014

SUBJECT: Approval to accept a donation from the Novi Parks Foundation in the amount of \$30,000 and amend the current fiscal year budget; to purchase a Custom Inclusive Play Booster Playground to be installed at Ella Mae Power Park, from Superior Play in the amount of \$115,000.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED	\$ 115,000
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ 85,000
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$30,000 265-000.00-665.207; 265-000.00-965.208 208-000.00-676.265; 208-691.00-974.097
LINE ITEM NUMBER	208-691.00-974.097

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Ella Mae Power Park currently has two play structures. Due to its age and compliance issues, this project would remove the older of the two existing play structures and replace it with a new inclusive design play structure specifically developed for children ages 2-12 to include above ground wheelchair access, inclusive swing, and meet/exceed all of the current safety and accessibility requirements.

The last 20 years in the playground industry has seen the introduction of numerous playground safety and accessibility regulations. With the advent of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990, the Access Board's playground accessibility rules of 2000, and the latest Department of Justice Standards published in 2010, accessibility has been at the forefront of recreation facility and playground development. Designers have consistently advocated the value of highly accessible facilities.

The donation from the Novi Parks Foundation will allow additional features not included in the original budget design to be added. The playground will feature a poured in place surface allowing greater wheelchair accessibility to the ground level features of the play structure and includes an "Oodle" swing accessible to children of all ages. The plan also incorporates installation of two (2) park benches not found on the current site. An HGAC Buy cooperative purchasing contract will be utilized for this project. Since the donation from the Parks Foundation was not anticipated until recently the Fiscal Year 2014-15 budget needs to be amended to reflect the increased revenue to the City's contribution line item.

Construction of the playground will start as soon as possible. Weather factors will determine completion in either fall of 2014 or spring 2015.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to accept a donation from the Novi Parks Foundation in the amount of \$30,000 and amend the current fiscal year budget; to purchase a Custom Inclusive Play Booster Playground to be installed at Ella Mae Power Park, from Superior Play in the amount of \$115,000.

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