

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT: Engineering

AGENDA DATE: October 27, 2009

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: R. Alan Shubert, P.E., City Engineer 541-4423
Terrence Freiburg, Purchasing Mgr., 541-4313

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: 3, 4, 5, and 8

SUBJECT:

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? **OR AUTHORIZE** the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

Request authorization to purchase and install playground equipment from the following cooperative purchasing network, BuyBoard contract #269-07, for Tierra del Este #44 Park, Indian Heights Park, Modesto Gomez Park, Summerlin Park, and Hawkins Park as recommended by Engineering and the Parks and Recreation Departments.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

The City can purchase equipment from cooperative purchasing networks at a lower cost to the City off the BuyBoard contract from The PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. (Little Tikes Commercial) PPLTC. Previous procurement on the 2008 Reprogramming Playground and Swings programs demonstrated that the City obtains high volume discount pricing using the BuyBoard than procuring the equipment thru the request for proposal low bid process. The price for equipment using the Cooperative Agreement is \$121,257.88. The price includes equipment, labor, freight, and installation.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?

City Council authorized the City to participate in the Texas Association of School Boards and the Cooperative Purchasing Network, Buyboard August 21, 2007 to achieve high volume discount pricing, combining the City of El Paso purchasing requirements with other agencies.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

This item is funded with 2008 Reprogramming Proportionality: Project No. PCP08PA01/ Fund No. 27263/ Department ID 99331117/ Account 508027(Available budget: \$1,494,000) and \$17,575.00 from Project No. PCP08PA05/ Fund No. 27263/ Department ID 99331117/ Account 508027

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

PROJECT FORM

DATE: October 09, 2009

PROJECT: Playground Equipment for Various Parks
DEPARTMENT: Engineering Department
BUDGET NO: 99331117-508027-27263-PCP08PA01
99331117-508027-27263-PCP08PA05
FUNDING SOURCE: 2008 Reprogramming-Parks Proportionality and Playground Replacement
REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT(S): 3, 4, 5, and 8

Please place the following item on the CONSENT Agenda for the Council Meeting of Oct 27, 2009.

Item should read as follows:

Request that the Purchasing Manager, Financial Services, Purchasing Division, be authorized to issue a Purchase Order to PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. / All Play, Inc., under Texas Association of School Boards, Inc., Cooperative Purchasing Buyboard Contract #269-07 for playground equipment for Tierra del Este #44 Park, Indian Heights, Modesto Gomez, Summerlin, and Hawkins. Total estimated expenditures are \$121,257.88.

The participation by the City of El Paso, in the Texas Association of School Boards, Inc., Cooperative Purchasing Buyboard, was approved by Mayor and City Council on September 19, 2006.

COUNCIL APPROVED [] REJECTED [] MUNICIPAL CLERK _____

APPROVED:

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: October 27, 2009

Signature of Terrence Freiburg
Terrence Freiburg
Purchasing Manager
Financial Services Department, Purchasing Division

Signature of Michael Plum
Reviewed by Michael Plum
Administrative Analyst

cc: BID FILE

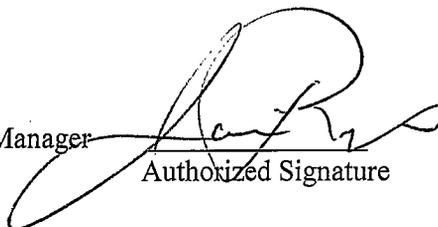
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To: Terrence Freiburg, Purchasing Manager

From: Javier Reyes, P.E. Engineering Division Manager



Authorized Signature

Date: October 12, 2009

Re: Buy Board Contract #269-07, The PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. (Little Tikes Commercial) PPLTC- Purchase of playground equipment

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The Engineering and Parks and Recreation Departments recommends utilizing Buy Board Contract #269-07 to issue a \$121,257.88 purchase order to The PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. (Little Tikes Commercial) PPLTC for playground equipment in several parks. The following are the factors used to evaluate the use of this procurement program as the best approach:

1. *Is there an urgent need for the product/service? In other words, is time of the essence?*

Yes. Time is of the essence – in an effort to expedite the project, buy board pricing is being used to stream line the bid process while obtaining fair and reasonable pricing.

2. *Does the purchase through the Program promote the standardization of equipment?*

Yes. The Parks Department already has play equipment from this vendor and readily available replacement parts already in stock.

3. *Does the purchase through the Program support local business? If not, is there a comparable product/service available locally?*

Yes. Local business is supported. The PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. (Little Tikes Commercial) PPLTC utilizes local installers to install equipment. Also, all site work preparations will be done with local contractors.

4. *Do the available vendors have prior work experience and/or familiarity with the City?*

Yes. The PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. (Little Tikes Commercial) PPLTC has worked on a previous city projects and is currently working on the 2008 Reprogramming-Playground and Swings project.

5. *Is the pricing reasonable as compared to other similar products/work performed for the City of El Paso in the past or as quoted from other companies?*

Yes. On March and April 2009 formals bids were bid out for playground equipment. The bids far exceeded the quotes that were provided by the Buy Board vendor, The PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. (Little Tikes Commercial) PPLTC. The pricing offered by The PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc. (Little Tikes Commercial) PPLTC is fair and reasonable in comparison.



The participation by the City of El Paso in the ESC Region 19 Purchasing Cooperative Program was approved by Mayor and City Council on March 4, 2008. The standard factors used to determine the use of a Cooperative Purchasing program were approved by City Council on June 24, 2008.

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Vendor Contract Information [Proposal Documents](#)

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Vendor: PlayPower LT Farmington, Inc./All Play, Inc.

Address: 13909 Van Wall
Houston, TX 77040

Phone: (713) 939-9888

Contact: Kurt Futrell

Email: susan@allplayinc.com

Website: www.playpower.com

Federal ID: 34-1725366

Accepts RFQs: Yes

Parks & Recreation & Field Lighting Products &

Contract: Installation #269-07

Effective Date: 10/1/2007

Expiration Date: 9/30/2010

Payment Terms: Net 30 days

Delivery Days: 10

Shipping Terms: Freight prepaid by vendor and added to invoice

Freight Terms: FOB Shipping Point

Ship Via: Common Carrier

Quote Reference

Number: 269-07

Regions Served: All Texas Regions

States Served: Texas

Vendor Exceptions:

Freight will be prepaid and added to invoice.

Additional Information: A 7.5% surcharge will be added to all quotes effective August 2008.

Return Policy: 20% restocking fee

Additional Dealers: Jim Lea & Associates, Inc.

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