

Date: July 19, 2005



TO: Board Members – Parks and Recreation

FROM: General Manager – Parks and Recreation

**SUBJECT: Kerrisdale Park/Point Grey Secondary School
Artificial Turf Project : Construction Contracts**

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. THAT the Board approve the award of the Civil Work & Lighting contract, (T2005-10) to Wilco Landscape Contractors Ltd. for the sum of \$1,212,600.*
- B. THAT the Board approve the award of the Request For Proposal (P2005-15) for the Supply and Installation of Synthetic Turf to Fieldturf, Inc. for the sum of \$543,000.*
- C. THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until the execution of the contemplated contracts. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contracts.*

POLICY

Construction contracts over \$300,000 are awarded by the Board.

BACKGROUND

On November 1, 2004 the Board endorsed the development of a lit synthetic turf playing field at Kerrisdale Park/Point Grey Secondary School, subject to concurrence by the Vancouver School Board, with the funding from the City Wide Development Cost Levy allocated for this purpose in the 2003-2005 Capital Plan. In addition, at the Board meeting of November 1, 2004, the Dunbar, Point Grey and Kerrisdale Soccer Clubs committed \$400,000 toward the project. Staff are in the process of drawing up the necessary agreement to finalize the commitment of these funds.

The proposed development is located on a site that is jointly owned by the Vancouver School Board (VSB) (north end) and the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation (VPB) (south end). The VPB and the VSB have just signed off on a license agreement for the use of the VSB portion of the field. The new artificial turf field will be used by students of Point Grey Secondary during school hours and by community groups the balance of the time. It is anticipated the main community use of the fields will be soccer groups, but the VSB would be using these fields for the entire range of school activities including soccer, field hockey, rugby, and informal play.

The proposed field development will be an infill artificial turf system situated within the existing running track, with four high mast lamp standards around the perimeter. On March 17, 2005 there was an Open House held at Point Grey Secondary that was attended by about 70 people. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive and supportive of our plans for the artificial turf proposal. A Development Permit application for the installation of the four lights was submitted on May 9, 2005, with anticipated approval in late July. At its meeting on April 25, 2005, the Board approved the award of the consultant contract to R.F. Binnie for the design and construction services for the new field.

The Civil Work & Lighting tenders were received on July 18, 2005 and include work for the excavation of unstable soils, base preparation, drainage and fencing. The Turf Supply and Installation Request for Proposals were received on June 30, 2005. The timeline is for the civil works & lighting to be completed by September 2, after which the turf supply and installation works would begin and be completed later in the fall.

The funding for this project will come from the DCL monies (\$2.9 M) for synthetic turf fields in the 2003-05 Capital Plan. In addition, the Dunbar, Point Grey and Kerrisdale Soccer Clubs have committed \$400,000.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were received from the following civil contractors:

Company	Price
Wilco Landscape Contractors	\$1,212,600
Cedar Crest Lands	\$1,539,165
J.S. Ferguson Construction	\$1,565,827

The recommendation from the Consultant is to hire Wilco Landscape Contractors. They have submitted the lowest bid, are qualified and are a firm that has successfully constructed the civil and lighting portions for a number of artificial turf fields in the Lower Mainland.

RFP's were received from two firms Fieldturf and Sportexe, for the supply and installation of the synthetic turf. After reviewing the submitted RFP's, comments from the consultants, reference checks and site visits in the Lower Mainland to recently constructed artificial fields by both manufacturers, it was decided to recommend Fieldturf (product FTOS1-S). They meet all requirements of the RFP, have an excellent track record, and have successfully installed a large number of artificial turf fields in the Lower Mainland.

SUMMARY

Staff recommend that the Civil & Lighting contract (T2005-10) be awarded to Wilco Landscape Contractors for the sum of \$1,212,600 and the Turf Supply and Installation contract (P2005-15) be awarded to Fieldturf for the sum of \$543,000. The total amount of these two contracts is \$1,755,600.00. Funds are available for this amount.

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