

Date: February 1, 2007



**TO:** Board Members – Vancouver Park Board  
**FROM:** General Manager – Parks and Recreation  
**SUBJECT:** Nelson Park Upgrade

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## RECOMMENDATION

- (A) *THAT the Board award the contract to Cedar Crest Lands B.C. Ltd. for the construction of Nelson Park Upgrade at Thurlow Street and Nelson Street at a price not to exceed \$715,422;*
- (B) *THAT the Board reserve \$52,000 out of the 2007 Minor Park Improvement Account for the completion of the Nelson Park project;*
- (C) *THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until the execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.*

## POLICY

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

## BACKGROUND

The design was approved at the June 1, 2006 board meeting and Durante Kreuk began construction drawings immediately. The tender package went out in mid-August and bids were returned September 1, 2006.

Unfortunately the bids came in approximately 80% over the construction budget with the lowest bid being Cap Ventures Ltd at \$1,262,645. At that time the construction budget for the park was \$720,000.

## DISCUSSION

The Park Board immediately started working with the consultant to look at cost saving measures which focused on materials selection while maintaining as many of the program components as possible. The revised design was approved by the neighbourhood committee group on November 2, 2006. The tender package went out on December 19, 2006 and bids were returned January 30, 2007.

The anticipated costs for this project is as follows:

Construction Contract	\$715,500
Consultants	\$80,000
Lighting	\$24,000
Benches	\$10,000
Contingency	\$22,500
Total	\$852,000

Four bids were received for the project:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Bid Price</b>	<b>Union/Open Shop</b>
Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd	\$715,422.00	Open Shop
C.A.P. Ventures	\$816,000.00	Open Shop
Maplewood Landscapers	\$897,000.00	Union
Wilco Landscape Contractors	\$897,000.00	Open Shop

Staff and the consultant have reviewed the submitted tenders and recommend that Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd. be retained. Cedar Crest has successfully completed a number of projects for the Park Board, including Hillcrest Park, Charleson Park, Quilchena Park, and Sahalli Park.

This project has been a challenge to bring to fruition. In order to realize the revised scope of work which was endorsed by the community in the late fall, an additional \$52,000 is recommended to be added to the project with the source of funding being the Minor Park Improvement Account.

## **SUMMARY**

Staff recommends that the contract for the construction of the Nelson Park Upgrade at Thurlow Street and Nelson Street be awarded to Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd for a stipulated price of \$715,422.00. Funds are available for this amount.

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