

Date: May 11, 2007



TO: Board Members – Vancouver Park Board
FROM: General Manager – Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT: Connaught Park West Field Reconstruction

RECOMMENDATION

- A.** *THAT the Board award the contract to Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd. for the proposed reconstruction of the West Field in Connaught Park at a price not to exceed \$412,729.00;*
- B.** *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 West Rugby Field at Connaught Park (70 meters x 130 meters) has deteriorated over the years due to heavy use and is in need of reconstruction to improve drainage, irrigation and turf grass condition. The field is used regularly with spring/summer permits for rugby, softball and community centre programs and fall/winter permits for rugby and community centre programs. The existing playing field was identified and approved for upgrading in the 2006 - 2008 Capital Plan.

DISCUSSION

The project includes an automatic irrigation system, new subsurface drainage system, improved grading, improved growing medium and new seeded turf grass. The project has been designed by Park Board staff. The attached Appendix shows the extent of the reconstruction works.

The construction budget for the field upgrade is \$450,000 including contingency. Funds are available in the Park Development – Playfield budget.

Three bids were received for the project:

| Contractor | Bid Price | Union/Open Shop |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Cedar Crest Lands (BC) Ltd | 412,729.00 | Open Shop |
| CAP Ventures Ltd | 524,000.00 | Open Shop |
| JS Ferguson Construction | 795,000.00 | Open Shop |

Staff has reviewed the submitted tenders and recommend that Cedar Crest Lands be awarded the contract. Cedar Crest has successfully completed a number of Park Board projects including: Quilchena Park, 'Osler' Park, Charleson Park and Sahalli Park.

The scheduling of the work will be July to September and the field is expected to be ready for play for the fall 2008 sport season. Current field users will be accommodated during the reconstruction period by rescheduling with existing field and diamond facilities.

SUMMARY

This report outlines reconstruction work for the West Field at Connaught Park with recommendations for the contract award to Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd.

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