Date: May 31, 2007



TO: Board Members – Vancouver Park Board
FROM: General Manager – Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT: Oak and 37th Park Site: Contract Award

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in Recommendations B, C and D, the General Manager of Parks and Recreation be authorized to enter into a contract with C.A.P. Ventures Ltd. for \$696,050, plus GST, with funding to be provided from the Conseil Scolaire Francophone School and the Capital Budget;
- B. THAT the General Manager of Parks and Recreation be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Park Board all legal documents required to implement Recommendation A;
- C. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Parks and Recreation in consultation with the Director of Legal Services;
- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by the Board's adoption of Recommendations A, B and C above unless and until such legal documents are executed.

POLICY

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

BACKGROUND

At the June 13, 2005 Board meeting, the development concept as presented in the staff report of May 17, 2005 was approved. The concept was developed after considerable public consultation, and allowed for the creation of a neighbourhood park with a playfield, children's playground, off leash dog area, meadow and trails within a naturalistic area. The landscape architectural firm of Durante Kreuk Ltd. was hired to refine this concept. The refined concept was presented to the public at an Open House on April 20, 2006 and approved by the Board on May 15, 2006.

The 2006-2008 Capital Plan would provide \$300,000 to the project. Funding would also come from the Conseil Scolaire Francophone (CSF) secondary school per the Memorandum of Understanding made on March 19, 2007 between the Park Board and CSF. This agreement states that the CSF would contribute 62% of the final accepted tender, plus an additional 5% construction contingency allowance, and an additional \$26,000 of the soft costs.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were received from the following contractors:

CompanyPriceC.A.P. Ventures Ltd.\$779,500Wilco Landscape Contractors Ltd.\$1,161,838

The recommendation of the Consultant is to hire C.A.P. Ventures. They have submitted the lowest bid and are qualified in this type of landscape construction. Subsequent clarification and negotiations resulted in a final revised price of \$696,050. Play equipment, fountain fabrication and site furnishings will be separately undertaken by Park Board staff and specialty contractors. The final estimated cost of construction is \$744,650.

The funds available are approximately \$500,000 from the CSL and \$300,000 from the Park Board for a total budget of approximately \$800,000.

SUMMARY

Staff recommend that the construction contract for the development of the Oak and 37th Parksite (T2007-9) be awarded to C.A.P. Ventures Ltd. for the sum of \$696,050. Funds are available for this contract, based on contributions from CSF and the Park Board Capital Plan.

Prepared by:

Planning and Operations Board of Parks & Recreation Vancouver, BC SW

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