

Date: April 27, 2007



**TO: Board Members – Vancouver Park Board**  
**FROM: General Manager – Parks and Recreation**  
**SUBJECT: Air India Memorial and Ceperley Meadow Playground**

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## RECOMMENDATION

- (A) *THAT the Board award the contract to CAP Ventures Ltd. for the construction of the proposed Air India Memorial and Ceperley Meadow Playground at a price not to exceed \$626,655.00;*
- (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

On June 26, 2006, the Board approved the acceptance of an \$800,000 donation from the Government of Canada for the creation of a children's playground and other improvements in Stanley Park dedicated to the memory of the victims of the bombing of Air India Flight 182.

At the same time, the Board also appointed Lees and Associates Consulting Ltd. as the landscape architect consultants to help conceptualize the design and manage the project including a public consultation process.

On October 2, 2006, the Board approved that the commemorative feature would include the victims' names and that staff budget a minimum of 80% of the \$800,000 donation on landscaping and playground. Staff were requested to seek external funding for the public consultation process. An additional \$60,000 has since been donated from the Federal Government and the total project budget has been fixed at \$860,000 of which \$400,000 has been provided by the Province of British Columbia. The Park Board has specified that \$640,000 be allocated to the playground portion of the project and the remainder to the memorial/contemplative area.

The concept plan for the proposed children's playground and Air India Memorial was approved by the Board on April 2, 2007.

## **DISCUSSION**

The project was tendered on April 4, 2007. Eight contractors picked up tender documents and two contractors submitted bids. Bidders were instructed that the project was to be completed by July 28, 2007.

Two bids were received for this project:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Bid Price</b>	<b>Union/Open Shop</b>
CAP Ventures Ltd	684,000	Open Shop
Wilco Landscape Contractors	1,119,000	Open Shop

Staff have reviewed the submitted tenders and recommend that CAP Ventures Ltd. be retained. CAP Ventures Ltd has successfully completed a number of projects for the Vancouver Park Board, including Kingcrest Park, Kensington Park, Sunrise Park, and Falaise Park . The low bid was over the construction budget and we have negotiated a reduction in the price of \$57,345 which brings the project on budget. This price change does not impact any of the project design features.

A separate purchase of playground equipment in the amount of \$100,228 has already been approved under standing administrative authorities. The CAP contract includes preparation of the playground area. The total construction cost of the project is \$739,000 of which \$139,000 is for the Commemorative area and \$600,000 for all other works.

## **SUMMARY**

Staff recommend that the contract for the construction of the Air India Memorial and Ceperley Playground be awarded to CAP Ventures Ltd for a stipulated price of \$626,655. Funds are available for this amount.

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