Date: June 30, 2014



Board Members - Vancouver Park Board I: General Manager - Parks and Recreation ECT: Construction Contract Award - Baseball Field Renovation at Hastings Community Park

RECOMMENDATION

- A. **THAT**, subject to Recommendations B, C and D, the Board enter into afixed price contract with Wilco Civil Inc. in the amount of \$603,071, plus GST, to be funded by the 2012-2014 Capital Plan, for the Baseball Field Renovation at Hastings Community Park project.
- B. **THAT** the contract be on the terms and conditions outlined in this report and on such other terms and conditions as are approved by the Vancouver Park Board, with Bid Committee and Chief Purchasing Official (CPO) concurrence.
- C. **THAT**, upon approval of the contract by Vancouver Park Board, with Bid Committee and CPO concurrence, the General Manager of the Park Board be authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the Board.
- D. **THAT** no legal rights or obligations will be created by the Board's adoption of Recommendations A. B. and C. above unless and until such contract is executed by the General Manager of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation.

POLICY

Vancouver Park Board's Procurement Policy requires that contracts with values over \$500,000.00 and less than \$2,000,000.00 require approval by the Vancouver Park Board, with Bid Committee and Chief Purchasing Official (CPO) concurrence.

REPORT SUMMARY

The renovation of the little league baseball field Hastings Community Park has been identified in the 2012-2014 Capital Plan and communicated through project community engagement initiatives (stakeholder meetings, a public open house in November 2014, and city website).

The purpose of this report is to request approval to award the construction contract for the Baseball Field Renovation at Hastings Community Park project to Wilco Civil Inc. in a CCDC 2-2008 fixed price contract.

COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS

The City's Procurement Policy (AF-015-01) requires that awards for contracts with values over \$500,000 must be approved by the Bid Committee. The Bid Committee has considered and approved Wilco Civil Inc. as the successful proponent at its June 27th, 2014 meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

This Bid Committee and General Manager recommend entry into the anticipated construction contract with Wilco Civil Inc.

BACKGROUND

The City issued an Invitation to Tender (ITT PS20140190) in May 2014 for Construction Services for the Baseball Field Renovation at Hastings Community Park project to six (6) prequalified vendors, and received two (2) submissions in response to the ITT (see table below). City staff on the ITT evaluation committee, and subsequently the Bid Committee, considered the submissions received and on the basis of lowest qualified bid, recommended that Wilco Civil Inc. be awarded a contract for this construction project.

Company:	Bid Amount:
Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd.	\$603,071
Wilco Civil Inc.	\$644,523

Built in 1952, this facility provides two baseball fields and a batting cage. The existing field has aged fencing, poor drainage and lacks an irrigation system. The Hastings Little League is hosting the 2016 National Little League Championships and this renovation is timed to accommodate the event.

This construction contract includes demolition of existing infrastructure, excavation to subgrade, removal of all unusable materials offsite, and installation of new drainage, irrigation, fencing, backstops, and seeding. Reference images of the existing conditions and the proposed fields are attached as Appendix A to this report.

Strategic Analysis

This project builds on the legacy of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games by aligning with the Vancouver Sport for Life: Vancouver Sport Strategy and confirms our commitment to the sport for play at all levels, from professional to children at risk.

The Park Board Strategic Plan also directs staff to provide Well Managed Infrastructure: the new baseball diamonds will be built with quality for durability and low maintenance. In order to accommodate the larger footprint of the main baseball field, the rookie baseball field will be relocated to the northeast corner of the site. The existing batting cage will be relocated north of the field house and aged playground equipment removed. This information was made available at the public engagement events.

The Hastings Community Park field house will be improved to complement this effort in 2015 through the approved sport amenity program.

Financial and Partnerships

The 2012-14 Capital Plan provides funding for Park Board sports fields and irrigation renovation projects city-wide. Financial Planning and the Director of Parks are satisfied with the funding available through the Capital Plan and Annual budget for this Project.

The Park Board is pleased to recognize Hastings Community Little League as a generous supporter of this project. With a \$306,000 financial contribution, the League is re-investing some of the funds generated through programs, grants and fundraising into this facility. This contribution includes a \$150,000 commitment from Toronto Blue Jays, through the Jays Care Field of Dreams grant program. This grant program invests in the creation of safe youth spaces, including baseball fields, across Canada so that all kids can reach their full potential.

This project demonstrates partnership between the Park Board and the Hastings Community Little League to provide quality facilities and services to the community.

Environmental

Mild weather is essential for grass establishment and the contract schedule provides for construction from mid-July to September 2014. The ITT identifies that the field must be seeded prior to September 30, 2014 and be ready for use on April 1, 2016. The league will play at another park location during the closure and grow-in period.

Wilco Civil Inc. has delivered many successful Park Board projects including the Trillium Park site, the synthetic turf field in Memorial South Park, the Olympic Village Waterfront, and a neighbourhood park in East Fraserlands. This firm has built many sports fields throughout the Lower Mainland, has a strong understanding of the City's business and implementation needs, and has proven relevant experience in public organizations of similar size and complexity, and a great track record in protecting the environment during construction.

CONCLUSION

This project confirms our commitment to baseball in Vancouver and aligns with the Vancouver Sport Strategy and Park Board Strategic Plan directions for Improved Inclusivity and Accessibility, and for Well Managed Infrastructure. This project also demonstrates how sports associations give back to the community by partnering with the Park Board.

Staff recommends that the City of Vancouver enter into a fixed-price CCDC 2-2008 Construction Contract with Wilco Civil Inc. for the Baseball Field Renovation at

Hastings Community Park project. Funds are available in the 2012-14 Capital Plan and 2014 Capital Budget.

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Appendix A - Existing Conditions and Renovations Proposed