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Date: August 14, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers

From: Rey Valdes  
City Manager

Department: Erin Sullivan  
Parks and Recreation Director

Subject: **Playground Turf Replacement at Doral Legacy Park Playground**

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## **Introduction:**

The Parks and Recreation Department respectfully request approval from the Mayor and City Council to authorize the City Manager to utilize Sourcewell Contract #031622-FVL and accept the proposal from ForeverLawn South Beach for the replacement of the Doral Legacy Park playground turf in the amount of \$171,532.15 plus a 10% contingency for an amount not to exceed \$188,685.37.

## **Background:**

The playground turf at Doral Legacy Park, installed during the park's initial opening in 2017, is now showing significant wear and tear due to its popularity and frequent use. The turf has become brittle and prone to ripping, creating potential tripping hazards. Despite numerous repairs by the Parks and Recreation Department, the issues have persisted. Consequently, the Department submitted a capital improvement request last year, which was approved by the council as part of the 2023-2024 Park Impact Fee improvements. As one of the city's most frequented playgrounds, attracting numerous families and children daily, the consistent repairs to the turf underscores the need for a more permanent durable solution. Consequently, the department solicited quotes from three reputable companies to ensure the replacement turf is both high-quality and cost-effective.

ForeverLawn South Beach, Easy Grass, and Field Turf, reputable providers of artificial turf, were invited to participate in this project. Each company was given an opportunity to conduct a site walkthrough at the playground, during which they took their own measurements to ensure a precise quote. Following the assessments, ForeverLawn South Beach provided the most competitive quote under Sourcewell Contract #031622-FVL, which includes the removal, disposal,

and installation of the new turf. Additionally, Field Turf submitted a proposal of \$190,555 that followed cooperative pricing through Omia Partners and Easy Grass submitted a quote of \$182,797.95, which is not part of a cooperative agreement.

### **Procurement:**

In order to ensure the City receives the most competitive pricing for this project, Parks and Recreation staff conducted market research and obtained quotes from reputable vendors. The lowest quote was received from ForeverLawn South Beach pursuant to Sourcewell Contract No. 031622-FVL for a total cost of \$171,532.15.

Section 2-322 of the City Code of Ordinances provides that the City may enter into contracts procured by other public entities and cooperative purchasing ventures. South Beach Synthetic Turf, LLC, doing business as ForeverLawn South Beach, is the local authorized distributor for ForeverLawn Inc., the entity awarded Sourcewell Contract No. 031622-FVL. Accordingly, the City may enter into an agreement with ForeverLawn pursuant to Sourcewell Contract No. 031622-FVL, which has been procured through a cooperative purchasing program.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

This item has a fiscal impact not to exceed \$171,532.15, with an additional 10% contingency amounting to \$17,153.22, for a total not to exceed amount of \$188,685.37. Funding is earmarked and allocated in the Park Impact, Park Improvements Account 001.9000.572.500634.

### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

This project falls under the Parks & Recreation Strategic Objectives and ensures we continue to provide high quality and safe facilities for the community to use.

### **Recommendation**

The City Manager's office respectfully requests that the Mayor and City Councilmembers authorize the City Manager to utilize Sourcewell Contract #031622-FVL and accept the lowest responsive quote from ForeverLawn South Beach and enter into an agreement for the replacement of the Doral Legacy Park playground turf in an amount of \$171,532.15 plus a 10% contingency for a total not to exceed amount of \$188,685.37. This recommendation is based on the competitive pricing and compliance with procurement standards via the Sourcewell Contract. Replacing the playground turf at Doral Legacy Park will enhance safety and enjoyment for both residents and visitors, ensuring the park's facilities remain a popular destination.

### **Attachments**

- ForeverLawn Quote: \$171,532.15
- Easy Grass Quote: \$182,797.95
- Fieldturf Quote: \$190,555.00