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**Meeting Name:** Town Council Meeting  
**Meeting Date:** September 27, 2023  
**Prepared By:** D. Dyess, Town Manager  
**Item Title:** Discussion - Kagan Park Playground

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This item relates to council goal:  
Improve Town Beautification, Safety and Upkeep including a short-term (1-3 year) Traffic / Road Safety Plan and a Sidewalk Plan

**DISCUSSION:**

In December of 2022 the council was presented with three vendors for equipment at Kagan Park. The council selected Kompan to provide the equipment. During the process of implementing the exercise equipment a discussion ensued about the playground equipment. The council requested staff to look at replacing the playground equipment by arranging a workshop to hear from two companies (Kompan and Playcraft). On August 24<sup>th</sup> a workshop was conducted where both companies presented their playground concept. The council heard from the public via public comment and the council engaged the companies with questions and observations of their products. After the workshop the council was sent the full informational package from each company on their products, concept, and pricing. The complete packages can also be found at the links below.

The Town's purchasing policy states that any acquisition over \$10,000 requires a solicitation for sealed, competitive bids unless the Council determines that it is not practicable or advantageous to the Town and may waive the bidding process. The council gave staff instructions to hear from these two specific vendors and therefore wishes to waive the bidding process.

Playcraft (has now submitted three concepts based on shade structure comments):

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/18EENnSD2A\\_lfFxejgR83uxPVOe1zTtZ?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/18EENnSD2A_lfFxejgR83uxPVOe1zTtZ?usp=sharing)

Playground 1: \$197,793.72    Playground 2: \$203,964.56    Playground 3: \$248,430.52

Kompan:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/11c2GDpScPTmCHOmUppVWv0WI8c71R9Wb?usp=sharing>

Tex Made Posts: \$224,173.48

Steel Posts: \$ 224,357.78

At the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting the council also asked to discuss the use of the current excavated unused area for some type of activated park use. A photo is attached for visual reference of the area.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The council should discuss the two equipment vendors and the next steps for replacing the playground and give staff directions. The council should also discuss the excavated area to determine if it should be sodded for the time being or made into some type of activated use.