



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 6/11/2024

REQUESTER: Bethany Grissom, Park Planner

PRESENTER: Jason Olsen, Director of Parks and Recreation

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT K-2324-126: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND HAPPY PLAYGROUNDS L.L.C., FOR THE FALLS-LAKEVIEW PARK PLAYGROUND PROJECT AND FINAL PAYMENT OF \$135,000.

BACKGROUND:

In October 2015, Norman residents passed the NORMAN FORWARD initiative, which will fund various projects through a ½ % sales tax increase over 15 years. The Norman Forward Initiative includes a project to improve all of the city's neighborhood parks. The funds for this project are "pay-as-you-go," meaning we can do a few park projects per year as the funds from the sales tax are collected. Falls-Lakeview Park is the most recent park to receive improvements in this initiative.

DISCUSSION:

On March 12, 2024, the City Council approved Contract K-2324-126 for the Falls-Lakeview Park Playground project to Happy Playgrounds LLC. for \$135,000. The work included installing all play equipment and synthetic turf safety surfacing. No partial payments have been made while ordering and installing the playground equipment.

On May 30, 2024, the City of Norman Parks and Recreation Staff inspected the project at Falls-Lakeview Park and found it complete per specifications.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council accept the Falls-Lakeview Park Playground project as complete and approve payment in the amount of \$135,000 to Happy Playgrounds L.L.C. Funding is available in the Norman Forward Neighborhood Park Improvements Project, Construction (account 51798830-46101; project NFP101).