City Council Meeting Agenda Item Data Sheet

Meeting Date: November 20, 2023

Topic:

Approve a purchase with Lone Star Recreation of Texas, LLC for an inclusive playground to be constructed at Juergens Park (Louie's Together Playground) through the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing (Contract #679-22) for a not-to-exceed amount of \$815,731.78, approve the expenditure of funds therefor, and authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents related to the expenditure. This amount is included in the FY 2023-2024 budget.

Background:

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Staff began working on Louie's Together Playground in 2021 after being contacted by the Munson family with the creative idea to construct the exact playground designed in the Able Fables series, Louie's Together Playground. The book was written for their son, Louie Munson, and the playground depicted is completely inclusive to allow individuals of all abilities to play together. The Munson family has been actively fundraising in the community to raise funds for the construction of the playground and to date has raised \$116,799.40, a complete funding breakdown is below.

The family has several large donors committed and we are hopeful those will be received by the end of the year. Staff is currently working with the family to set deadline for receiving donations, and any additional funds required for the purchase will be presented to Council for approval to utilize the American Rescue Plan Act funds as adopted in the fiscal year 2023 - 2024 budget.

Funding Source	
	Amount
City of Tomball	\$100,000
TEDC	\$200,000
Chick-fil-A	\$100,000
Individual	\$16,799.40
Donations	
	\$416,799.40

Full payment for the playground equipment will be required once installation is completed and the current lead time for receiving the equipment is 26-28 weeks. Authorizing the purchase of the equipment allows for the City to secure the playground and place it into production while the family finalizes their fundraising efforts.

Origination: Project Management

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Staff recommends approving the purchase and construction of the inclusive playground to be installed at Juergens Park through a BuyBoard Contract (BuyBoard Contract Number 679-22) for a total amount not-to-exceed \$851,731.78.

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Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on a	genda: Meagan Mageo, Project Manager
FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)	
Are funds specifically designated in the current budget	
Yes: X No:	Eyes, specify Account Number: #400-153-6409
If no, funds will be transferred from account: #	To Account: #
Signed: Meagan Mageo	Approved by:
Staff Member Date	City Manager Date