

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Willard Park Board

**From:** Jason Knight, Parks and Recreation Director

**Date:** 8/26/2025

**Subject:** Cost Analysis and Recommendation for Playground Equipment

### **Purpose**

This memo outlines the estimated cost of reinstalling five playground equipment pieces in compliance with fall safety standards versus auctioning them. Based on projected expenses, reinstallation is cost-prohibitive, and auctioning is recommended.

### **Estimated Cost of Safe Reinstallation**

Total Estimated Cost: \$13,661

### **Cost Breakdown**

Fall Zone Material (Shredded Rubber Mulch, 8") – \$10,00

Concrete Pads (5.6 cu. yd. @ \$175/yd) – \$980

Equipment Rentals

Jackhammer – \$220

Excavator w/ Breaker– \$476

Labor for Installation (2 workers, 2+ days) – \$600

### **Recommendation**

Given that the cost of safe reinstallation (>\$13,000) significantly exceeds the value of the equipment, I recommend auctioning the equipment rather than incurring the expense of reinstalling with compliant fall zones.