



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
STAFF REPORT**

Meeting Date: August 21, 2023		Subject: Resolution No. 3073 A Construction Contract With Buell Recreation LLC For The Sofia Playground Replacement Project.	
		Staff Member: Dustin Schull, Parks Supervisor	
		Department: Parks and Recreation	
Action Required		Advisory Board/Commission Recommendation	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance 1 st Reading Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance 2 nd Reading Date: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Information or Direction <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Council Direction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent Agenda		<input type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Denial <input type="checkbox"/> None Forwarded <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable Comments: N/A	
Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends Council adopt the Consent Agenda.			
Recommended Language for Motion: I move to approve the Consent Agenda.			
Project / Issue Relates To:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Council Goals/Priorities:	<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted Master Plan(s):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable	

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

The award of contract in the amount of \$198,324.00 to Buell Recreation LLC. for the purchase and installation of playground equipment and unitary surfacing for the Sofia Park Playground Project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Sofia Park is an incredible community gathering space for the Villebois neighborhood and greater Wilsonville community. The playground is an important amenity in Sofia Park and is showing signs of significant wear and tear due to high utilization and failing components. As a result, this playground is at the top of the list for playground replacements within the City’s park system.

In July of 2023 the parks team conducted a survey on *Let’s Talk, Wilsonville!* The survey gave community members the opportunity to provide input on individual playground components as well as color preferences. The community submitted over 150 responses and 43 individual comments. Of the surveys submitted, 123 participants live in the Villebois neighborhood and 80% of respondents have children living in their home. There was consensus in the preferred components and color. With these results, staff worked with Buell Recreation to create a design based on community preferences.

The new playground will include two individual play structures for children ages 2-5 and 5-12 that will create opportunities for both physical and social play. The new playground will also include turf safety surfacing, to align with the City’s goal to have playgrounds accessible to children of all ages and abilities. The Volta Inclusive spinner is a freestanding spinning play feature that invites everyone in and allows everyone to play together in the same spinning social space.

The installation of a new playground in Sofia Park will ensure this favorite community gathering space is safe, accessible, and fun for community members.

EXPECTED RESULTS:

The new playground in Sofia will result in an enhanced community gathering space. The new design and surfacing will result in an improvement in accessibility and safety while reducing overall maintenance.

TIMELINE:

Construction is expected to start in the winter of 2023/2024.

CURRENT YEAR BUDGET IMPACTS:

Funds for this project are included in the FY 2023/2024 budget.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROCESS:

A five-week survey on *Let’s Talk, Wilsonville!* provided the opportunity for community members to select component and color preferences for the new playground. It also allowed community members to provide additional comments and suggestions for consideration.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS OR BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY:

The new playground will provide an enhanced play experience for children in the community with a focus on accessibility and safety.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative to this project is to leave the current playground installed. This will result in increased maintenance as well as extended closures for required repairs.

CITY MANAGER COMMENT:

N/A

ATTACHMENT:

1. Let's Talk Wilsonville! Survey Results Sofia Playground
2. Resolution No. 3073
 - A. Contract