

# City of North Bay Report to Council

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Business Unit:

**Corporate Services** 

Department: Financial Services Department

Subject: Request for Proposal 2021-14 Olmsted Beach Playground

Closed Session: yes  $\Box$  no  $\boxtimes$ 

#### Recommendation

That City Council approves the award of a contract to Park N Play Design Company Ltd. in the amount of \$113,684.89 (plus HST) for the supply and installation of playground equipment at Olmsted Beach.

## Background

Olmsted Playground is located at one of North Bay's busiest beaches and is heavily used by the community. This playground structure was closed in the fall of 2019 and removed in the summer of 2020 due to some critical safety issues that could not be repaired without significant expenditure. During the summer of 2020, a new base and footprint (cribbing) were installed by Parks staff in anticipation of installing a new playground in 2021. This new playground is a critical piece in helping to make Armstrong Park and Olmsted Beach fully accessible. A fully accessible washroom was completed in 2020 and accessible pathways and parking will be added this summer. This new playground will meet all of the current accessibility standards (Applies Annex H of Canadian Standards Association CAN/CSA-Z614-20).

#### **Financial/Legal Implications**

A formal bid request, which closed March 23, 2021, was administered by the Purchasing Department and was publically advertised in accordance with the City's Purchasing By-Law 2013-200. Six proposals were evaluated by the Purchasing Manager, Manager Parks, Supervisor Parks and the Parks Maintenance Operator. The evaluation considered mandatory technical requirements related to the product's performance and features, experience, qualifications, play value & inclusive play, layout & circulation, durability, work plan, schedule and price.

The results are as follows:

Ranking	Company	Overall Score
1	Park N Play Design Company Ltd.	79.27
2	996534 Ontario Inc. o/a CRCS Recreation	74.23
3	Henderson Recreation Equipment Limited	73.50
4	S.F. Scott Manufacturing Co. Limited	71.73
5	New World Park Solutions Inc.	69.50
6	ABC Recreation Ltd.	*

\* Proponents marked with an asterisk provided proposals that did not meet the minimum mandatory requirements

The proposal from Park N Play Design Company Ltd. scored highest and provides the best overall value to the City. Their bid is considered fair and reasonable.

Sufficient funding for this purchase is available in Capital Project No. 4012PR – Olmsted Playground Replacement.

## **Corporate Strategic Plan**

□ Natural North and Near

⊠ Affordable Balanced Growth

□ Economic Prosperity

Spirited Safe Community

□ Responsible and Responsive Government

#### **Specific Objectives**

Ensure an equitable distribution of resources across city neighbourhoods and includes residents of all ages

Develop and provide recreational and community centre services geared to meeting the broad spectrum of needs in the community.

## **Options Analysis**

1. That City Council approves the award of a contract to Park N Play Design Company Ltd. in the amount of \$113,684.89 (plus HST) for the supply and installation of playground equipment at Olmsted Beach.

2. Do not award a contract. This option is not recommended because the existing playground equipment in Olmsted Beach has been removed and needs to be replaced.

### **Recommended Option**

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Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Ann Kotylak Purchasing Manager David Schroeder Manager Parks

We concur in this report and recommendation.

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