THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: May 10, 2022

Subject: Magnolia Park Playground Construction Contract

Staff Resource(s): Jade Dundas, Capital Projects Director

Action Requested: Adoption of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with J. Bartholomew Construction in the amount of $199,950.00, for the Magnolia Park Playground project; and further authorizing the City Manager to execute any change orders that may arise during the project up to the contingency amount of $20,000 (10%).

Background:

- Magnolia playground, originally installed in the late 1990's, has surpassed the normal longevity of equipment and is currently in need of replacement.
- The park is located at 51 Magnolia Ave in the Five Points area.
- This project replaces the existing equipment, trike track, basketball court, provides new lighting, new site furnishings and creates a new accessible neighborhood entry.
- Construction is estimated to begin in June and last until fall.
- Base bids received on April 14th, 2022
    - J. Bartholomew Construction, Hendersonville, $193,550
    - Patton Construction Group, Inc. of Asheville, $243,250
    - Moore & Son Site Contractors of Mill River, $523,323
- Alternates include replacing asphalt with concrete and colored concrete are all accepted for an additional $6,400, for a total of $199,950 construction costs.
- J Bartholomew was the lowest responsive, responsible bidder

Vendor Outreach Efforts:

- Staff performed outreach to minority and women owned businesses through solicitation processes which include posting on the State's Interactive Purchasing System and requiring prime contractors to reach out to Minority & Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) service providers for subcontracted services.
- No MWBE firms submitted bids with this prime contractor.

Council Goal(s):

- A well planned and livable community

Committee(s):

- None

Pro(s):

- New equipment and safety surfacing will provide a safer play environment.
- Revamping the park will reduce maintenance of failing elements

Con(s):

- The playground will be closed during construction.

Fiscal Impact:

- Funding for this contract is already included in the adopted Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

Suggested Motion:

- Motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with J. Bartholomew Construction in the amount of $199,950.00, for the Magnolia Park Playground project; and further authorizing the City Manager to execute any change orders that may arise during the project up to the contingency amount of $20,000 (10%).

Attachment(s)

- Resolution
- Map of project

RESOLUTION NO. 22-_____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH J BARTHOLOMEW CONSTRUCTION FOR THE MAGNOLIA PLAYGROUND PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Asheville has authority pursuant to Article 3 of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes to enter into contracts for services with other entities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143-129, bids were solicited for the Magnolia Park Playground project**;** and

WHEREAS, J Bartholomew of Hendersonville, NC was the lowest responsible bidder for the project; and

WHEREAS, J Bartholomew shall provide all labor, materials, and equipment for the turnkey playground and site amenities at Magnolia Park; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the bid is $199,950.00, and funding for the project is allocated within the General Capital Projects Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE THAT:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract with J Bartholomew in the amount of $199,950.00, for the Magnolia Park playground project; further authorizing the City Manager to execute any change orders that may arise during the project up to the contingency amount of $20,000 (10%).

Read, approved and adopted this the 10th day of May, 2022.

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City Clerk Mayor

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney

MAP OF PROJECT

