

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – AUGUST 31, 2010

AWARD OF RFP10-108 BINDERTWINE PARK – DESIGN/BUILD OF (1) ARTIFICIAL TURF SOCCER FIELD & ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE WORKS - WARD 1

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Directors of Parks Development, Purchasing Services Department, and Reserves and Investments, recommends:

- 1) That RFP10-108 Design/Build of (1) Artificial Turf Soccer Field & Associated Landscape Works for Bindertwine Park be brought forward to Council on September 7, 2010 for consideration and approval.

Contribution to Sustainability

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council in the Green Directions Vaughan, Community Sustainability Environmental Master Park Plan, Goal 2, Objective 2.2:

- To develop Vaughan as a City with maximum green space and an urban form that supports our expected population growth.

Economic Impact

Capital project PK-6281-10, Artificial Turf Bindertwine Park was approved in the 2010 Capital Budget. The actual cost of the project will be established following evaluation of the proposal submissions. An annual operating cost of \$10,000 is required to maintain this artificial turf soccer field once completed.

Communications Plan

The Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club will be informed of Council's decision following the September 7, 2010 Council meeting.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award RFP10-108 Design/Build of (1) Artificial Turf Soccer Field & Associated Landscape Works for Bindertwine Park.

Background - Analysis and Options

At its meeting of December 14, 2009, City of Vaughan Council approved Item 1, Report No. 10 of the Budget Committee which provided additional funding for the conversion of the Bindertwine Park soccer field to artificial turf.

During the 2009 capital budget cycle, the premium soccer field at Bindertwine Park was identified for a complete renovation for the following reasons: approximately two months of playing time were lost due to unplayable (wet) field conditions and there is limited opportunity to compensate this lost playing time due to lack of other senior fields in the area. These factors compound the pressures experienced by the Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club. City of Vaughan Council approved \$386,250 in 2009 toward the total renovation of this natural turf premium soccer field.

The Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club initially proposed a partnership to convert the natural turf field at Bindertwine Park to artificial turf during the 2009 capital budget cycle (February 7, 2009). The commitment to the partnership was confirmed during a deputation before Budget Committee on November 10, 2009. The deputation refers to the growth of the Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club during the past 16 years and now serves a membership of 1295 (1074 of whom reside in the City of Vaughan). The deputation also indicated that several of their age groups are having to

share fields or play on “patches of grass” and that the lack of fields compounded by the loss of two months of playing time at Bindertwine Park exacerbate the pressures experienced by the club. The Bindertwine soccer field is the only premium senior soccer field available for permit by the Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club and most years it is only playable in the months of July and August due to wet field conditions. Based on concerns of the excessive “down time” that the existing natural turf premium field experiences, the Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club Inc. has formalized a request to enter into a partnership with the City of Vaughan to contribute funds for the conversion of the existing field to an artificial turf soccer field at Bindertwine Park. The Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club has committed \$125,000 as a lump sum payment for the field conversion prior to the project being awarded by City of Vaughan Council.

RFP10-108 was issued on July 30, 2010 and was advertised in the Daily Commercial News, Bidding, OPBA web site and the City web page. The RFP will close and was publicly opened on Monday, August 16, 2010.

The Evaluation Committee, which is comprised of staff from Parks Development, Building and Facilities, Recreation & Culture and Parks and Forestry Operations, will utilize the following evaluation criteria in order to fully evaluate the proposal submissions received.

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| • Examples of Related Design/Build Work | 26% |
| • Design/Build Team Members Experience | 20% |
| • Proposed Fees | 20% |
| • Quality of the Proposal: | 4% |

An additional 30 points has been allocated for the interview phase should this be required.

Staff will prepare a report after the bids have been evaluated for Council’s consideration at the September 7, 2010 Council meeting.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020 / Strategic Plan

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to Vaughan Vision 2020, the project will provide:

- **STRATEGIC GOAL:**
Service Excellence - Providing service excellence to citizens.
- **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:**
Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery; and Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness - To deliver high quality services and to promote health and wellness through design and program.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated.

Regional Implications

Not applicable.

Conclusion

Upon award of RFP10-108, this project will commence within ten (10) working days from the Date of Notification of Award and should be completed in Spring 2011 (weather permitting).

Attachments

Not applicable.

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