

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: *Amend contract with GreenWorks, PC to \$343,750, to complete design and construction documentation for Couch Park as part of the Parks Replacement Bond program (Ordinance: amend Contract No. 30004548).

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

In May 2014, the play equipment at Couch Park was removed due to multiple severe structural deficiencies. The equipment that was razed had been built by the community itself as a volunteer effort in the 1970s and was much beloved. The park became one of a "poster child" example of why a Parks Replacement Bond was necessary. In the meantime, the Friends of Couch Playground was formed to begin fund-raising. They have committed to raising \$500,000 toward the effort. Children and parents in the neighborhood and at the Metropolitan Learning Center (MLC) are understandably anxious to get the playground replaced as soon as possible.

In addition to the playground, other renovations slated for Couch Park under the Parks Replacement Bond include a new Loo, conversion of the existing restroom into maintenance and programming storage, and the removal of dozens of ADA barriers in the brick plaza that runs along the western edge of the park and connects the park to the school.

Using an existing on-call services contract to hire the design team will shave up to a year off of the overall schedule, because it will eliminate the RFQ process and allow construction to happen in the summer when construction can be much faster. The contract is in place and ready to go, but its current not-to-exceed total is \$100,000 and this project will cost more than that (up to \$343,750).

GreenWorks, PC is next in line for an on-call service contract, and they are well qualified to do the work.

Financial and budgetary impacts: None. Funds are already available through the Parks Replacement Bond, center code PKCP0030200

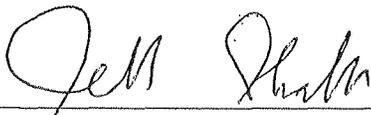
Community impacts and community involvement: The community has lobbied hard to get this equipment replaced as soon as possible and they will be heavily involved in the design of the replacement. They have committed to raise \$500,000 to leverage public funds.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

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