

### Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	9712	Agenda Number	42.
Meeting Date:	October 6, 2011				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

## Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BUYBOARD) with THE PLAYWELL GROUP, Dallas, TX, for the purchase and installation of playground equipment at the new Roy Guererro Park in an amount not to exceed \$322,229.30.

# Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

# Fiscal Note

## A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase		
Prior Council			
Action:			
For More	Cruz Banda, Buyer II/974-2133		
Information:	Cruz Barida, Buyer 11/9/4-2155		
Boards and			
Commission			
Action:			
MBE / WBE:	This Cooperative Contract is exempt from the MBE /WBE Ordinance. This exemption is in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.		
Related Items:			
Additional Backup Information			

This contract is for the purchase and installation of playscape equipment for the new Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park which is currently under construction and scheduled to open January 2012. The playscape is an essential part of the park and has been designed to serve as a metropolitan park, providing recreational opportunities for a large number of citizens. The playscape design reflects that style and natural aspects of this new park. The equipment must be installed by staff that are certified and trained for this brand of playscape equipment. The new playscape has been designed to serve children of all ages and is larger and more extensive than what is experienced in a neighborhood park.

The procurement of this playscape not occurring will result in a delay of the opening of the Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park or if the park does open, the playscape area will have to be fenced off due to a safety hazard from a partially constructed playground area.

Five playscape equipment contractors from various cooperative purchasing programs were contacted to provide equipment proposals and layout configurations. The Playwell Group proposal and layout configurations were determined to best fit the design of this new play area project.

The Playwell Group is contracted through BuyBoard to supply these materials and services statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for local government agencies to make use of their collective purchasing power and is authorized under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.