## CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

## DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

10/6/11 Parks and Recreation

**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.

## **CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:**

<b>Department:</b>	Parks and Recreation
Project Name:	Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River - Development
Fund/Department/Unit:	8921-8607-1124
Funding Source:	1998 GO Bond P2
Current Appropriation:	500,000.00
Unencumbered Balance:	500,000.00
Amount of This Action:	(322,229.30)
Remaining Balance:	177,770.70

**ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL 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.