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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	13114	Agenda Number	26.
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Meeting Date:	April 5, 2012
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with PLAY POWER LT FARMINGTON, INC., for the purchase and installation of playscape equipment at Little Zilker Park in an amount not to exceed \$123,701.

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.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Sharon Patterson, Senior Buyer, 972-4014
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Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Land and Facilities Committee and the Parks and Recreation Board.
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MBE / WBE:	This Cooperative Purchase 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 contract.
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Additional Backup Information

This contract will be for the purchase and installation of Little Tikes Commercial playscape equipment for the Little Zilker Park located adjacent to Zilker Elementary. Little Zilker Park is formerly known as Zilker Neighborhood Park and is used as a recreational facility by Austinites of all ages. The current playscape equipment has been in place for 14 years and to ensure safety standards are met, requires replacing. The playscape has been designed to reflect the style and natural aspects of the park in order to provide recreational opportunities for a large number of citizens as well as use by Zilker Elementary. Some of the equipment that will be purchased includes a tunnel crawl-through, chain-net climber, pole slide, tire swing, elevated decking, and a rock challenge wall. AISD will install the playground safety surface.

The existing playscape equipment is Little Tykes Commercial brand. Although not all of the equipment is being replaced, compatibility of the playscape components is necessary. Play Power LT Farmington, Inc. is the parent company of Little Tykes Commercial and is the sole distributor for this brand of playscape equipment. The equipment will be installed by a technician who is certified and trained for this brand of playscape equipment.

Play Power LT Farmington, Inc. 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.