



REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 15-265

DATE December 09, 2015


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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: RANCHO CIENEGA SPORTS COMPLEX – SYNTHETIC TURF REPLACEMENT CONTRACT WITH SPRINTURF, LLC., (FORMERLY KNOWN AS EMPIRE AND ASSOCIATES, INC., DBA SPRINTURF), AND EXEMPTION FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

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Approved  \_\_\_\_\_

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Find, pursuant to Charter Section 1022, that the Department does not have available in its employ personnel with the necessary expertise to undertake and accomplish the specialized supplies and professional services for replacing the synthetic soccer field located at Rancho Cienega Sports Complex in a timely manner;
2. Further find that the proposed synthetic turf replacement project is exempt from CEQA;
3. Approve a proposed Agreement, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, between the City of Los Angeles, and Empire & Associate, Inc. dba Sprinturf, now known as Sprinturf, LLC. (Sprinturf), for the Rancho Cienega Sports Complex – Synthetic Field Replacement project subject to approval of the Mayor, and the City Attorney as to form;
4. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the Agreement to the Mayor per Executive Directive No. 3, and to the City Attorney for approval as to form;
5. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00) from Fund 302, Dept 89, Account 89709H-WC Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Water Conservation, to Fund 302, Dept 89, Account 89270K General Capital, to approve, encumber, and pay One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00), under the awarding authority of this Report; and

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6. Authorize the Department's General Manager, at his sole discretion, to execute the proposed contract, subject to approval by the Mayor and by the City Attorney as to form.

SUMMARY:

The Rancho Cienega Sports Complex – Soccer Field Replacement project (PRJ #20483) at 5001 Rodeo Road, Los Angeles, California 90016, was completed on January 14, 2011 (Report No. 11-069, March 2, 2011). The project was done by the City of Los Angeles Department of General Services, which subcontracted the synthetic turf installation to Empire & Associates, Inc., dba Sprinturf, now known as Sprinturf, LLC., (Sprinturf) through City Contract No. C-113012. The field is under an Eight (8) Years Warranty provided by the contractor, Sprinturf. The synthetic turf field (in its fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) year of the warranty) at this location, is failing. The contractor, Sprinturf has agreed to replace the field under the warranty at no cost. However, the current field was constructed based on the old specification with crumb rubber, while all new fields should be constructed with the City's new Synthetic Turf Specification.

Sprinturf is willing to install a new field with the City's new Synthetic Turf Specification, but due to the increased costs for the new specification, the price will be One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00). Note that the final cost of the field was Six Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand, Four Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Sixty-Two cents (\$695,477.62) when it was built. Staff has reviewed the cost increase of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00) in relation to meeting the City's new Synthetic Turf specifications and considers the cost increase is more than justified. Included in the over Contract scope of work, Sprinturf has agreed to pay RAP's third (3<sup>rd</sup>) party consulting costs. Sprinturf has agreed to submit for approval a qualified third (3<sup>rd</sup>) party consultant company who has experience working for or with the City of Los Angeles synthetic turf project installations. The third (3<sup>rd</sup>) party consultant will provide all material inspection off/on site, inspection of all subgrade synthetic turf systems, verification/approval of proper installation of the new turf system and all required testing to verify that the field is structurally sound and environmentally safe to play. The project is estimated to be complete within six (6) months of execution of this contract.

The project will be funded by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) Water Conservation Fund. The LADWP Water Conservation Fund of Two Million, Two Hundred Twelve Thousand, Fifty-Five Dollars and Thirty-Seven Cents (\$2,212,055.37) has been received by the Department. The Department plans to allocate the Rebate for these five (5) project locations: 1) Jackie Tatum / Harvard Recreation Center, 2) Sylmar Park Recreation Center, 3) Mar Vista

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Recreation Center, 4) Rancho Cienega Sports Complex, and 5) Ross Snyder Recreation Center; pending Board approval. The LADWP Water Conservation Fund of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00) will be transferred to the General Capital Fund for the Rancho Cienega Synthetic Field Replacement project.

This Report is to authorize the Department to enter into a contract agreement with Sprinturf to replace the synthetic turf field located on the North Eastside of the Park with the City's new Synthetic Turf Specification.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Staff has determined that the proposed project will involve the replacement of existing synthetic turf with negligible or no expansion of use, and, therefore, it categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There will be no direct fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund. The project is being funded by LADWP Water Conservation Fund.

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