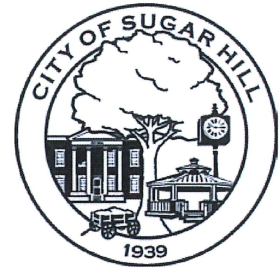


DATE: *December 10, 2020*
TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: *ASG* Assistant City Manager
SUBJECT: 20-026: Emergency Park Field Repairs – Gary Pirkle Park



RECOMMENDED ACTION

Award the contract for project 20-026 Park Field Repairs to Precision Turf, LLC of Sugar Hill in the amount of \$938,283.15.

BUDGET IMPACT

Funds in the amount of \$1,225,000 are budgeted for this work in 2021. This will cover both the Precision contract and the conclusion of the current project with ASG already underway. The ASG contract will have an estimated ending balance of about \$225,000 at the end of the year (\$362,016 as of 11/30/20). There are adequate funds budgeted and available currently in the SPLOST recreation account to cover this project and fully fund its completion.

DISCUSSION

During the early morning hours of October 11 this year we experienced a significant storm event caused by sub-tropical storm Delta resulting in severe flooding at Gary Pirkle Park. The flood waters ran under the synthetic field turf eroding the drainage layer of materials and pulling out pins holding the turf in place. The aftermath saw not only the system damaged, but significant piles of silt and sand deposited on the existing artificial turf fields and rippling the fabric.

The fields had experienced one other flood event since its initial construction about eight (8) years ago, at which time the repairs were able to salvage the turf and restore it for competitive use. Due to the turf's age, such a restoration project would simply not be possible now due to its brittle characteristics after exposure to the elements through the years.

After the city's adjuster completed an evaluation, we determined that field repairs were ineligible for coverage from our policy, as was expected. Staff then prepared an invitation for bids

and secured the following responses for emergency repairs to the fields, replacing the drainage system and field turf in its entirety.

The scope of work will include all materials, labor, tools, equipment and all other items necessary for the replacement of approximately 250,000 square feet of damaged turf on the west side of the park as shown/outlined below. The turf system includes a minimum 2.5” polyethylene slit-film fiber, two full size soccer fields with inlaid yellow, one mini soccer field, one full size football field with inlaid white lines and yardage numbers and a 30/70 sand/rubber infill system.



Aerial view looking west



Aerial view looking east over west field

Bids were received for the project and opened on 12/3/2020 with the following responses received:

#	Bidder	Bid Amount
1	Precision Turf, LLC	\$ 938,283.15
2	Deluxe Athletics	\$ 942,900.00
3	Advanced Sports Group, LLC	\$1,258,811.00

Precision Turf has completed projects with Georgia Tech, Clemson, Duke, and Winthrop University in Rock Hill, South Carolina as well as for Harrison High School in Kennesaw, Dacula High School and a number of other Georgia schools. The bid includes a small contingency with unit prices to cover unforeseen subsurface conditions, but because the scope is not fully visible from the surface it is anticipated that we may run past our estimated quantities. The contract substantial completion date will be (90) ninety days from the notice to proceed and an additional (30) thirty days for final completion. The contract does include penalties for unauthorized delay in the form of liquidated damages.

Staff recommends awarding the contract for project #20-026 Park Field Repairs to Precision Turf, LLC in the amount of \$938,283.15.