



Legislation Text

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Authorization for the Construction of Field Improvements at Fred Cone Park (B)

This item is a request for the City Commission to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price in the amount of \$343,288.63 for the construction of field improvements at Fred Cone Park with D&M Construction dba Foresight Construction Group, Inc.

The field inside the track at Fred Cone Park is difficult to maintain because of poor drainage. The field holds water which makes it unplayable for multiple days after any significant rain events. The City would like to improve drainage and turf on this field to use for Pop Warner Football and other youth league sporting events. This is one of the only lit public sports fields in Gainesville.

Foresight Construction Group, Inc. is one of the City's approved construction management firms for small projects (under \$2M). Foresight Construction Group is a minority owned small business who has experience facilitating similar projects. The field design was facilitated by JBrown Professional Group, a small, local engineering firm.

The Wild Spaces & Public Places (WSPP) Department recommends authorizing this contract to Foresight Construction Group, Inc. in the amount of \$343,288.63 so that Fred Cone Park's lit sports field can be utilized after rain events. The Fred Cone Park field improvement project is funded through the Wild Spaces & Public Places ½ cent sales tax and a Capital Improvement (CIP) Fund.

Funds in the amount of \$343,288.63 are available for the construction of field improvements at Fred Cone Park; \$13,601.51 from the Fred Cone Park CIP account, \$21,129.42 from the Fred Cone Park WSPP ½ cent sales tax account, \$299,821.86 from the Greentree Park Athletic Fields WSPP ½ cent sales tax account and \$8,725.73 from the Small Project/Contingency WSPP ½ cent sales tax account. The WSPP Department is asking to reallocate funds from the Greentree Park Athletic Fields project account to Fred Cone Park as staff feels that this project is a higher priority.

The City Commission: 1) approve the project task; and 2) authorize the Interim City Manager or designee to execute all contract documents and other necessary documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.