

TO: HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS 1999 March 04
FROM: CIVIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
SUBJECT: **BURNABY LAKE SPORTS COMPLEX-WEST PROJECT / EVALUATION OF SYNTHETIC TURF PROPOSALS**

Recommendation:

1. That Council approve the selection of a synthetic infilled turf system as proposed by Field Turf Inc. for the Burnaby Lake Sports Complex-West project.
2. That staff be authorized to enter into negotiations with Field Turf Inc. for the award of a contract to supply and install synthetic infilled turf on the three sports fields and warm-up area.

REPORT

In 1999 February the City of Burnaby issued a Request for Proposal (R.F.P.) to pre-selected manufacturers and installers for the supply and installation of synthetic turf on three sports fields and warm-up area at the Burnaby Lake Sports Complex-West. In response to the R.F.P., the City received submissions for both conventional and infilled turf systems. The intent of the procurement process was to create a competitive environment while providing flexibility in the selection process and allowing a more through evaluation of criteria other than simply price.

The proposals that have been submitted have been reviewed in detail by the City's consultants R.F. Binnie & Assoc. and D.A. Hogan & Assoc. to ensure compliance with the conditions and requirements outlined in the R.F.P. Each proposal was evaluated on a technical, corporate and financial basis to determine which product and system best fulfilled the City's interests, requirements and performance expectations. Based on a comprehensive review and analysis of the information presented by the consulting team, the Civic Development Committee has concluded that the proposal submitted by Field Turf Inc. in the amount of \$ 1,703,500 best fulfills the City's needs and selection criteria and is within the approved project budget.

The recommended infilled synthetic turf system has been installed in approximately thirty locations in North America and is suitable for a variety of sports currently played on grass fields such as soccer, field hockey, football and field lacrosse. In addition to its versatility the recommended infilled system will provide a warranty period that is similar to that offered by the suppliers of conventional systems (i.e. 8 years) but is more economically priced. With all the base costs factored in, the infilled turf systems are in the range of \$ 1.25 to \$ 1.85 million less costly than conventional turf systems.

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Based on the information received by the Consultants, the proponent has complied with all the requirements of the R.F.P. and is recommended for the infilled system.

On 1999 March 03 the Parks and Recreation Commission met with the Civic Development Committee to discuss the various options and concurred with the recommendations of the Civic Development Committee.

In this regard it is requested that staff be authorized to commence negotiations with Field Turf Inc. in order that the City could be in a position to enter into a contract with the proponent. Appearing elsewhere on this agenda for reconsideration and Final Adoption is Bylaw 10907 which provides the funding for this project.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

COUNCILLOR D.R. CORRIGAN, CHAIR

COUNCILLOR D.G. EVANS, MEMBER

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