

MEMORANDUM

TO: Park Advisory Commission

FROM: Colin Smith, Parks & Recreation Services Manager

DATE: February 24, 2015

SUBJECT: Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Construction Contract to Terrafirma Landscape for the Olson Park Irrigation System Improvements Project and Appropriate Funds (\$49,100.00)

Attached for your review and consideration please find a resolution to authorize award of a contract to Terrafirma Landscape in the amount of \$49,100.00 for the Olson Park Irrigation System Improvements Project.

Funding for this project is available in the Park Maintenance and Capital Improvement Millage fund balance. This project includes the installation of a non-potable irrigation well to feed the existing soccer field irrigation system. The existing irrigation system pumps water from the pond at Olson Park and is in disrepair. The soccer field playing surfaces are unable to be maintained properly due to the lack of a reliable irrigation system.

The project was advertised for bid (ITB-4359) on City's website and on the Michigan Inter-governmental Trade Network (MITN) with the plans and specifications being available to interested contractors. One bid was received and opened on February 8, 2015. The low responsible bid from Terrafirma Landscape in the amount of \$49,100.00 is approximately 18% below the Engineer's Estimated Opinion of Costs.

The project is expected to begin in early May and be completed by late-June of 2015.

Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Construction Contract to Terrafirma Landscape for the Olson Park Irrigation System Improvements Project and Appropriate Funds (\$49,100.00)

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor solicited bids (ITB-4359) for the Olson Park Irrigation System Improvements;

Whereas, one competitive bid was received by the Purchasing Services Office on February 11, 2015 and Terrafirma Landscape was the lowest responsible bidder with a submitted bid of \$49,100.00;

Whereas, The Park Maintenance and Capital Improvement Millage has a fund balance adequate to fund this capital project; and

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend that \$49,100.00 be appropriated from the Park Maintenance and Capital Improvement Millage fund balance to be available without regard to fiscal year; and

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend approval of a contract in the amount of \$49,100.00 to Terrafirma Landscape for the construction of the Olson Park Irrigation Improvements Project, and a construction contingency of \$4,910.00 to cover potential contract change orders during the life of the project;