

MEMORANDUM

TO: Milton Dohoney Jr., City Administrator

FROM: Josh Landefeld, Parks & Recreation Manager

CC: Derek Delacourt, Community Services Area Administrator
Colin Spencer, Purchasing Manager

DATE: May 22, 2024

SUBJECT: Emergency PO Increase for Court Improvements at Burns Park

In fall 2021, the tennis courts at Burns Park underwent improvements, including crack repair, resurfacing, and the conversion of one tennis court into two pickleball courts. By spring 2022, the resurfacing began to fail and required repair. The original contractor, Laser Striping, refused to honor the one-year warranty under the contract, leading to ongoing litigation. Laser Striping was also under contract to repair and resurface the Baxter Park basketball court, which was initially scheduled for FY22. Due to issues with Burns Park, the decision was made to not move forward with Laser Striping performing the work at Baxter Park.

At that time, there were only three known court surfacing contractors in Michigan: Goddard Coatings, Courts Unlimited, and Laser Striping. Parks & Recreation has previously engaged both Goddard Coatings and Courts Unlimited with good results. For the necessary repairs at Burns Park and the Baxter Park project, quotes were requested from both contractors. Goddard Coatings provided quotes, while Courts Unlimited was unable to accommodate the work. A purchase order (PO) 2023-00000860 was issued to Goddard Coatings for \$71,000.00 to resurface the courts at both Burns and Baxter Parks in FY24.

Goddard Coatings commenced work in May 2024, which included power-washing and cleaning the courts in preparation for crack repair and new acrylic sports surfacing. During preparation, additional defects from the previous failed resurfacing project were revealed. The Rite-Way Crack Repair System, initially believed to be correctly installed, is also failing. Goddard Coatings identified 422 linear feet of failing Rite-Way Crack Repair fabric that needs replacement to ensure successful resurfacing.

The initial PO created for Goddard to do both courts was below \$75,000, thus City Council approval was not required. However, the cost for this additional work is \$8,440.00, increasing the project total to \$79,440.00 thus exceeding the \$75,000 threshold and necessitating City Council action. With construction already in progress, the courts are currently unplayable. We request an emergency purchase order increase to allow Goddard Coatings to proceed with the necessary repairs, enabling us to restore the popular tennis and pickleball courts promptly.

APP#204 4.3 deals with emergency purchases and services and requires City Administrator approval to proceed with the issuance or change order of an emergency PO.

Milton Dohoney Jr., City Administrator

Date

From: [Landefeld, Josh](#)
To: [Dohoney Jr., Milton](#)
Cc: [Delacourt, Derek](#); [Spencer, Colin](#); [Fercho, Adam](#)
Subject: Re: Emergency PO request for court repairs at Burns Park
Date: Wednesday, May 22, 2024 6:38:40 PM

Thank you very much.

Josh Landefeld
City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation Manager

On May 22, 2024, at 5:29 PM, Dohoney Jr., Milton <MDohoney@a2gov.org> wrote:

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From: Landefeld, Josh <JLandefeld@a2gov.org>
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Cc: Delacourt, Derek <DDelacourt@a2gov.org>; Spencer, Colin <CSpencer@a2gov.org>; Fercho, Adam <AFercho@a2gov.org>
Subject: Emergency PO request for court repairs at Burns Park

Mr. Donohy,

Please find the attached Emergency PO request from Parks for court repairs at Burns Park tennis and pickleball courts. Please let me know if you have any questions about the request.

Thank you,
Josh

Josh Landefeld (he, him, his), Parks & Recreation Services Manager
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From: [Tod J Lorenzen](#)
To: [Fercho, Adam](#)
Cc: [Jake Vaughn](#)
Subject: Re: Burns Park Courts
Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 5:44:11 PM

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Hi Adam-

The majority of the fabric repairs made by others in prior years is failing and causing either ripped and peeling fabric and/or prematurely fracturing the asphalt and concrete based crack filler beneath the fabric and tape. (*Please see attached pics for reference). Our estimate of additional repairs needed via removing and replacing the existing Rite-Way material is 422 LF @ \$20.00 per foot requiring a change order of \$8,440.00. If acceptable, that will be our next work item when we resume work on the courts. Please advise.

Best,
Tod

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From: Tod J Lorenzen <tod@goddardss.com>
Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 3:19 PM
To: Fercho, Adam <AFercho@a2gov.org>
Cc: Jake Vaughn <jake@goddardss.com>
Subject: Re: Burns Park Courts

Yes, I will send that to you under separate cover.

From: Fercho, Adam <AFercho@a2gov.org>
Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 3:18 PM
To: Tod J Lorenzen <tod@goddardss.com>
Cc: Jake Vaughn <jake@goddardss.com>
Subject: RE: Burns Park Courts

Thanks Tod,

I'll just double check with Josh. Were you able to get an amount that we need to increase the cost due to the additional crack repair?

Adam Fercho, Park Planner & Landscape Architect

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Hi Adam-

The slippery condition is just a product of the work in process. I'd recommend that you just close the courts down, then we will continue our work. We can't promise starting back up tomorrow, but we will be back at some point this week, weather permitting and continue until completion. Please feel free to contact me with any other questions or concerns.

Best,
Tod

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From: Fercho, Adam <AFercho@a2gov.org>

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 2:09 PM

To: Tod J Lorenzen <tod@goddardss.com>

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Subject: Burns Park Courts

Hey Tod,

I just received a call from a resident of Burns Park. They said they were out there playing this morning, and the court was “sandy”, which I’m assuming is from the debris from cleaning. She said that it was a bit slippery and people were struggling a bit. Are your crews still out cleaning, or are you done until next week when the repair begins?

My question for you, do you think this is a matter of rinsing off the court to make it playable this weekend, or do you think this is a situation that we should just close the courts, and the slipperiness is just a product of the work going on? I know we were trying to keep them open for Memorial Day, but I’m ok closing if we think its best.

Thank you,

Adam Fercho, Park Planner & Landscape Architect

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