

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: PLAYGROUND RENOVATIONS AT EL SIERRA

DATE: 4/8/2020

Background Information

El Sierra Elementary School has a great need for playground improvements. With the assistance of funding from the State of Illinois and the great work of the El Sierra Playground Committee, the District is in a position to move forward with the necessary improvements. The estimated costs of the total project are anticipated to be approximately \$195,000. The state contribution to the work is expected to be \$180,000, and the El Sierra PTA playground committee will be contributing the remaining amount. The funding will cover the purchase of all the proposed equipment, mulch safety surfacing, equipment installation, and associated site improvements.

Given the anticipated receipt of funding, a bid was posted in a local newspaper and on the District website for the installation and site work. We received six responses to the bid; the results are as follows:

K & D Enterprise Landscape Mgt, Inc	\$114,081.00
Innovation Landscaping, Inc	\$116,997.00
D & J Landscape, Inc	\$119,676.41
Hacienda Landscaping, Inc	\$124,162.00
Integral Construction, Inc	\$143,200.00
The Kenneth Company	\$159,579.00

Administrative Considerations

The equipment for the site was chosen by District and building administrators in conjunction with the PTA playground committee chair, and will be purchased by the District. This bid was for the installation of equipment and associated site work. Construction documents were prepared for bidding by Wight & Co and we received bids from six reputable companies. The lowest bid received was submitted by K & D Landscape. While the District has not previously worked with this company, our architect has past experience with them and feels strongly that they will be able to complete the work.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board award the bid for Playground Renovations at El Sierra Elementary School to K&D Landscape at a cost of \$114,081.00. We will not execute a contract with the awarded firm until we receive final confirmation of funds from the state.