



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2023-288

Agenda Date: April 6, 2023

Department: Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs

Title: 2023-288 Authorization of a Cooperative Purchasing Contract with Rain Drop Products, LLC for the Purchase and Installation of a Slide for Dwight H. Hunter Pool (B)

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Description: This item is to authorize the City to enter into a cooperative purchasing contract with Rain Drop Products, LLC for the purchase and installation of a slide for Dwight H. Hunter Pool, located at 1100 Northeast 14th Street, Gainesville, FL 32601. The old slide was removed in December 2022 after a structural evaluation found the slide and its structural supports to be beyond repair.

Fiscal Note: Funds in the amount of \$353,854.84 are available for the project from the WSPP City Pools ½ cent sales tax project account

Explanation: In 2012, the City Commission approved the Parks, Recreational and Cultural Affairs Vision 2020 Master Plan. Pool improvements were identified as a first priority project in the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Vision 2020 Master Plan.

In 2021 staff hired Sputo and Lammert Engineering, LLC to perform a structural assessment of the framing of the existing pool slide at Dwight H. Hunter Pool. The report identified significant damage to the support columns for the slide, to the support columns for the stair access, and the railing, due to corrosion over time. The amount of corrosion exceeded what can be repaired economically and feasibly.

In late 2022 staff hired R.J Cameron Construction, Inc. to remove the old slide. At the same time, staff entered into discussions with multiple pool slide suppliers. Rain Drop Products, LLC was found to have the highest quality slide at a competitive price. Rain Drop Products, LLC has a cooperative purchasing contract through Sourcewell.

Through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing contract Rain Drop Products, LLC can provide the City with a turn-key slide design, fabrication, and installation at Dwight H. Hunter Pool for \$353,854.84. Installation is anticipated to complete by the end of September 2023.

Strategic Connection:

- ☐ Goal 1: Equitable Community
- ☐ Goal 2: More Sustainable Community
- ☒ Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience
- ☐ Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy
- ☐ Goal 5: “Best in Class” Neighbor Services

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the 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.