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Ordinance No. _____

Council Bill No. B 95-08

AN ORDINANCE

authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Columbia School District for a playground improvement project at Parkade Elementary School; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with the Columbia School District for a playground improvement project at Parkade Elementary School. The form and content of the agreement shall be substantially as set forth in "Exhibit A" attached hereto and made a part hereof as fully as if set forth herein verbatim.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2008.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT dated this _____ day of _____, 2008, is entered into by and between the City of Columbia, Missouri, a municipal corporation (hereinafter "City") and the Columbia School District (hereinafter "District").

WHEREAS, District is improving the playground at its elementary school located at 111 Parkade Boulevard, known as Parkade Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, City, in accordance with Policy Resolution 20-98, is willing to participate in funding of the acquisition of play and fitness equipment and trail at Parkade Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, District is willing to make the playground available to the public when it is not being used for school activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, City and District agree as follows:

1. City will reimburse District in an amount up to \$15,000.00 for improvements to the playground at its Parkade Elementary School. Reimbursement will be made upon receipt of documentation of actual expenditures made by the District with respect to the playground development.
2. As a condition of receiving the payment for playground equipment, District agrees to:
 - a) Keep its playground at Parkade Elementary School open to the public at all reasonable times when it is not in use for school activities.
 - b) Submit its playground plans and specifications to the City for approval.
 - c) Build the playground according to the plan submittal.
 - d) Hold the City harmless for any and all claims or damages for personal injury or property damage arising out of the use of the playground, whether by students or by members of the public.
3. This agreement replaces the December, 2007 agreement between City and District pertaining to Field Elementary School.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, City and District have been duly authorized to execute this agreement as of the above referenced date.

CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

By: _____
H. William Watkins, City Manager

ATTEST:

Sheela Amin, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Fred Boeckmann, City Counselor

COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: _____

ATTEST:

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that this contract is within the purpose of the appropriation to which it is to be charged, Account No. _____, and that there is an unencumbered balance to the credit of such appropriation sufficient to pay therefor.

Lori B. Fleming, Director of Finance

Source

TO: City Council
FROM: City Manager and Staff



DATE: March 20, 2008

RE: City/School Playground Agreement – Replace Field Elem with Parkade Elem

Michael Hood



Summary: Since 1998, the City has assisted with the funding of outdoor play equipment at eleven elementary schools located within the Columbia Public School District (CPSD). The City's FY-2008 CIP budget included \$15,000 for Field Elementary School and on December 17, 2007, the Field agreement was approved by Council. However, with the upcoming construction of a new elementary school, the Redistricting Committee of the Board of Education has determined that Field will not be used as a K-5 elementary school and that it may be converted to some another use, perhaps a pre-school for children 3 to 5 years of age. CPSD has reviewed other district playground needs and are requesting that the City Council cancel the Field agreement and enter into a new agreement for Parkade Elementary School. The neighborhood access to the playground after hours would remain the same. The City's funding source for this program comes from the Park Sales Tax. An ordinance is needed to authorize an agreement with the CPSD for the implementation of this project.

Fiscal Impact

YES x

NO

Other Info.

Discussion: Since 1998, the City Council has authorized the spending of city funds for outdoor play equipment to be located on public school grounds. The policy requires that the Columbia School District agree to make the outdoor facilities available for use by the public whenever it is not being used for school activities. Previous projects funded under this policy include Grant (1998), Benton (2000), Field (2000), Lee (2001), West Blvd (2002), Parkade (2004), Mill Creek (2005), Shepard (2006), Blue Ridge (2007), Russell (2007) and Ridgeway (2007) Elementary Schools. No appropriation was funded in FY-2003. These projects have been positively received by both the school and the general public.

During the fall of 2007, park staff met with Columbia Public School District (CPSD) officials to determine the priority playground needs of the district. At that time, the priority need was to install a playground designed for the older kids (3rd-5th graders) at Field Elementary. In January/February, the Redistricting Committee of the Board of Education determined that Field will not be used as a K-5 elementary school and that it likely will be converted to some another use, perhaps a pre-school, for children 3 to 5 years of age. This decision was influenced by the planned construction of the new elementary school that will serve many of the students that are currently attending Field. CPSD officials and park staff met to discuss alternatives and it was decided that the best course of action was to not implement the Field agreement as it has not signed by CPSD officials, and create a new agreement for similar equipment at Parkade Elementary School.

In 2004, Parkade Elementary received \$15,000 from the City to install a playground designed for Kindergarten thru 3rd graders. The request for FY-08 is to install playground equipment for 3rd thru 5th graders. Park planners will work with school officials concerning the type and location of the play equipment. All work will be conducted by the District or under their direction and the District will be responsible for the continued maintenance of the equipment. Once the equipment is successfully installed, park staff will inspect and once approved, will authorize the release of the funds up to a maximum of \$15,000.

This ordinance, if approved, authorizes an agreement (Exhibit A) with the Columbia Public School District for this project and provides procedures for implementing the playground improvement project and assures that the facilities will be open for public use.

Suggested Council Action: If Council concurs that the project should proceed, the ordinance authorizing the agreement should be passed.

From: "Chester Edwards" <CEdwards@columbia.k12.mo.us>
To: "Mike Griggs" <MBG@GoColumbiaMO.com>
CC: "Jack Jensen" <JJensen@columbia.k12.mo.us>, "Nick Boren" <NBoren@columbi...>
Date: 2/29/2008 2:13 PM
Subject: Playground Grant

Mike,

As you know the City Council approved a \$15,000 grant to purchase playground equipment for Field Elementary School. With the upcoming construction of a new elementary school, the Redistricting Committee of the Board of Education has determined that Field not be used as a K thru 5th elementary school and that it be converted to some another use, perhaps a pre school, ages 3 to 5. The original scope of work presented to the City Council was playground equipment for 3rd thru 5th graders.

We have review other district playground needs with in the city and are requesting the City Council authorize the School District under the same agreement to purchase and install playground equipment of the same type and style at Parkade Elementary School. The neighborhood access to the playground after hours would remain the same.

Your's and the City Council's consideration is appreciated.

Thanks

Chester Edwards
Director Building Services

"If you're satisfied with our service,
tell your colleagues and friends, if not,
PLEASE tell us!"