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Subject: Request to Begin Procurement – Construction of a Neighbourhood Park – Ward 4 (RM 16/2023)

Secondary Title: Request to Begin Procurement – Construction of a Neighbourhood Park at 0 Beechmont Drive – Ward 4 (RM 16/2023)

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Recommendations:

1. That the report from the Parks Maintenance & Forestry Division to the City Council Meeting of June 28, 2023, re: **Request to Begin Procurement – Construction of a Neighbourhood Park – Ward 4 (RM 16/2023)** be received; and
2. That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to commence the procurement for the Construction of a Neighbourhood Park in Ward 4, subject to Council’s approval of By-law 118-2023.

Overview:

- At the City Council Special Meeting of March 9, 2023 a motion was passed to have a new 2023 capital budget established to investigate and initiate the establishment of a new park to be installed in Ward 4.
- The Parks Maintenance & Forestry division will conduct public engagement with local residents in collaboration with Ward Councillors for feedback and input on various park amenities to be installed within the park.
- This report seeks Council approval to commence the procurement for the hiring of a general landscape contractor for the construction of a new neighbourhood park.

Background:

At the City Council Special Meeting of March 9, 2023 a motion was passed to have a new 2023 capital budget established to investigate and initiate the establishment of a new park amenities, to be installed at a City-owned park in Ward 4.

The parkland is approximately 6 acres in size. The site is a great location to design and build creative and diverse amenities with unique programs for residents of all ages and abilities.

Current Situation:

Upon Council’s approval of By-law 118-2023 (acquisition of property at 0 Beechmont Drive, Brampton, Ward 4), the Parks Maintenance & Forestry division will commence the public engagement process with local residents for feedback and input on various park amenities to be installed within the park. The public engagement will consist of but not limited to, communication notice to residents in proximity of the new park, online survey and an open house session to be scheduled at a city-owned facility.

Upon finalizing the design details, the Parks Maintenance & Forestry division will be prepared to proceed with the procurement for the hiring of a general landscape contractor for the construction of a neighbourhood park at 0 Beechmont Drive.

The scope of work will include site developments, utilities servicing, site grading storm drainage and environmental protections, decorative and control fencing, landscaping and signage. All development and construction will be in accordance with applicable Municipal, Regional and Provincial standards.

The new park elements will be built with the support and confirmation of Parks Maintenance and Operations staff who will operate and maintain the parkland.

Corporate Implications:

Financial Implications:

Sufficient funding is available for the initiative from the following capital project:

Initiative	Project
New Amenities in Ward 4 Park	235927-001

Departmental staff will ensure that sufficient funds are requested through the subsequent budget submissions, as required, for this initiative.

Purchasing Implications:

The pre-qualified general landscape contractors will be invited to submit a Bid and the lowest compliant Bid will be eligible for contract award. Purchase approval will be obtained in accordance with the Purchasing By-Law.

All communication with Bidders involved in the procurement must occur formally, through the contact person identified in the Bid Document.

Term of Council Priorities:

This report supports the following Term of Council Priorities

- Brampton is a Healthy and Safe City – Continue to design and build new accessible spaces and play elements to residents of all ages and abilities

Conclusion:

It is recommended that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to commence the procurement for the hiring of a general landscape contractor for the construction of a new neighbourhood park in Ward 4. This investment will further contribute to Brampton's role, in creating public facilities and open spaces to promote active and healthy lifestyles for all residents.

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