FOR COUNCIL MEETING
April 22, 2008

Honorable Mayor and Members
Of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the City Council

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY SERVICES - AUTHORIZE THE SOLE-SOURCE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND RUBBERIZED PLAY SURFACE AT VICTOR PARK.

Expenditure: $145,182.53

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council authorize a sole-source purchase order with Miracle Playground Sales of Southern California, Placentia, CA, for an amount not to exceed $145,182.53 ($139,382.53 quote + $5,800 contingency = $145,182.53) for the acquisition and installation of playground equipment and rubberized play surfacing at Victor Park.

Funding

Funding is available in the Park Playground Equipment Replacement Project (FEAP 618).

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

In 1998, the City Council established a standard for the sole-source purchase of Miracle playground equipment. It is the opinion of staff that the purchase of this playground equipment falls within the Sole-Source Purchase Exception of TMC § 22.3.17 (b) that states:

> "For purposes of this Section, "sole-source purchases" means those purchases where it would be undesirable or impossible for the City to advertise for bids for particular work or for patented items, or experimental or unique services or products, or where competitive purchases would be unavailable or would not prove advantageous for the City. No sole-source purchases may be made where to do so would show favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud or corruption, or result in the waste of public funds, but may be used only to obtain the best economic result for the public."

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The action has proven to be both cost effective and efficient. Staff are able to stock hardware used in maintaining the equipment and, when necessary, swap parts from one park play area to another. In addition, public acceptance of the Miracle playground equipment has been favorable and widespread. The quotation for these items and a diagram of the playground equipment are included as attachments A, B, and C.

In an effort to engage the community in the project, residents within a 300 foot radius of the park were notified of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting during which a discussion on the play equipment would take place (Attachment D). In addition, the West Torrance Homeowners Association was sent fliers for distribution to its members. While only a few members of the public were in attendance at the April 9 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting, their input was incorporated in the selection of colors and features in the park.

The playground equipment at Victor Park was installed in 1990. The life expectancy of the equipment is typically ten to fifteen years. The play equipment is antiquated and in need of replacement. If your Honorable Body approves this purchase, the equipment should be delivered in four to six weeks and installed within four weeks thereafter. Children should be able to enjoy the new playground areas before summer.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN JONES
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

By _____
Mike Wilson
Park Services Manager

CONCUR:

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John Jones
Community Services Director

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LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager

Attachments: A) Miracle Playground Sales Quotation #17502
B) Ortho, Inc. Quotation #2007-704
C) Diagram of the Playground Equipment at Victor Park
D) Meeting Notification Flier

MW:JM:pj:tlkprks&fac/Victor/sole source purchase of play equipment 4-22-08ci

ATTACHMENT A

9196 Stellar Court
Corona, CA 92883
800-264-7225 - fax 877-215-3869

QUOTATION

DATE	Quotation #
10/24/2007	17502

Customer Name
City of Torrance 3031 Torrance Blvd. Torrance, CA 90503

Project	Rep	FOB
Victor Park	GH	factory

Item	Description	Qty	Unit Cost	Total
KC/CS Systems	Kids' Choice Playsystem for ages 5-12 #CD155076	1	35,385.70	35,385.70T
TC System	Tots Chocie Playsystem for ages 2-5 #CD155078	1	10,999.80	10,999.80T
Swings	Swings #714-852-8s	1	3,998.40	3,998.40T
Swings	Swings #718-852-2t	1	888.25	888.25T
960	Lucky the Lady Bug C spring rider	1	770.95	770.95T
961	Buzzy the Bumble Bee C Spring Rider	1	645.15	645.15T
Freight	Commercial Freight	1	4,832.00	4,832.00
Exclusions	Unloading, storage, installation,safety surfacing and site work are not included in this quote.			0.00

Subtotal	$57,520.25
Sales Tax (8.25%)	$4,346.78
Total	$61,867.03

The acceptance signa order the items quoted and indicates a ment terms. Signature will not sub ase order is required by customer.

Unloading, storage ar al is not included in above pric

EMAIL: Sales@miracleplayground.com

Signature

ATTACHMENT B

ORTCO, INC.

License #657695
2163 N. Glassell Ave.
Orange, CA 92865

714-998-3998
714-998-3996 fax
OrtcoPlays@sbcglobal.net

QUOTE

DATE	QUOTE #
12/3/2007	2007-759

NAME / ADDRESS
CITY OF TORRANCE 3031 TORRANCE BLVD TORRANCE, CA 90503 ATTN: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

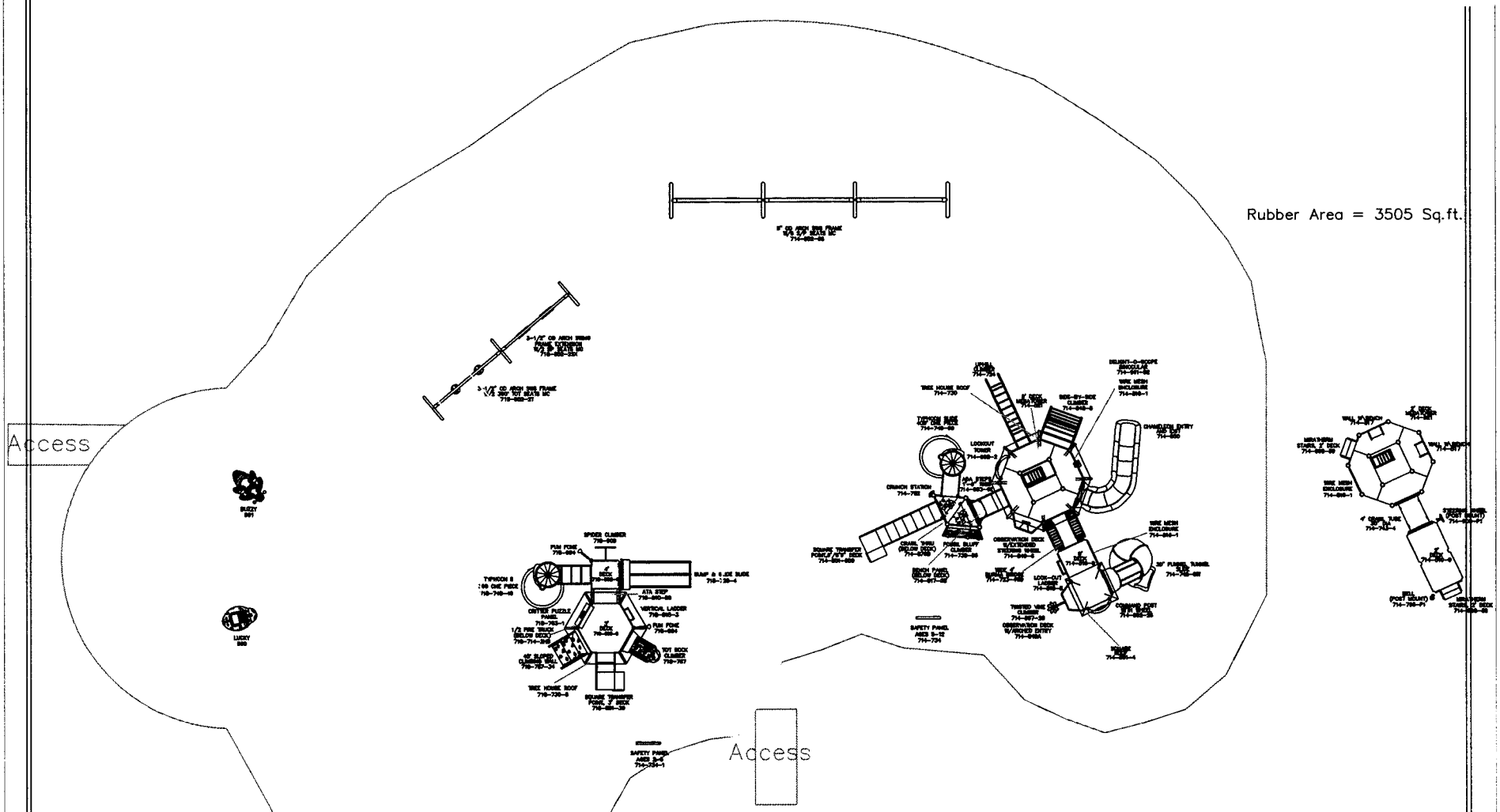
PROJECT			
VICTOR PARK			
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	COST	TOTAL
INSTALL	INSTALLATION OF MIRACLE RECREATION EQUIPMENT	1	24,900.00	24,900.00
SWINGS	INSTALLATION OF A 2 BAY SWING AND A 3 BAY SWING	1	3,000.00	3,000.00
RUBBER I...	PROVIDE AND INSTALL SPECTRAPOUR PLAYGROUND SURFACING	5,335	9.30	49,615.50
RUBBER EX	PROVIDE AND INSTALL SPECTRAPOUR PLAYGROUND SURFACING PER PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. SURFACING TO BE INSTALL PER SPECIFICATIONS AS A VARYING THICKNESS PAD TO MEET CPSC STANDARDS AND ASTM F 1292-04 FOR IMPACT ATTENUATION. SPECTRAPOUR IS AN I.P.E.M.A. CERTIFIED MANUFACTURER. PRICE IS FOR RUBBER SURFACING AND INSTALLATION ONLY AND EXCLUDES SITEWORK, SUB-BASE MATERIALS, ASPHALT, CONCRETE, BORDERS, CURBS, SUB-BASE AND COMPACTION. SQUARE FOOTAGES ARE ESTIMATED BASED UPON DRAWINGS SUBMITTED TO ORTCO, INC.. ACTUAL AREAS TO BE SURFACED FREQUENTLY VARY, THEREFORE ESTIMATE IS PRICED ON A PRICE/S.F. BASIS. PERIMETERS WHICH REQUIRE A TURNED-DOWN EDGE ALSO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL SQUARE FEET OF SURFACING AND WILL BE INCLUDED INTO NET AREA. FINAL BILLING SHALL REFLECT ACTUAL AREA SURFACED (NET AREA SURFACED), INCLUDING TURNED-DOWN EDGES. ORTCO, INC. IS A CERTIFIED SPECTRAPOUR INSTALLER.			

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU.

TOTAL $77,515.50

SIGNATURE _____

ATTACHMENT C



FOR KIDS AGES 2-5 YEARS

FOR KIDS AGES 5-12 YEARS

MIRACLE PLAYGROUND SALES of Southern California

City of Torrance Victor Park	MIRACLE PLAYGROUND SALES OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
	9196 STELLAR COURT CORONA, CA 92883
PROTECTIVE AREA NA	PHONE NO. 1-800-264-7225 FAX NO. 1-877-215-3869
SCALE NA	DATE 11/7/2007
EMAIL Greg@MiraclePlayground.com	

MIRACLE RECREATION EQUIPMENT COMPANY

ATTACHMENT D

CITY OF TORRANCE

NOTICE OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Discussion of the New Play Equipment at Victor Park

Parks and Recreation Commission
Wednesday, April 9, 2008 7:00 p.m.
Torrance City Hall
West Annex Commission Room
3031 Torrance Boulevard

The City of Torrance invites residents to attend the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting for a discussion about the new play equipment planned for Victor Park located at 4715 Emerald Street. Our playground design team has created a footprint for the equipment that meets the Federal Government's Playground Safety Standards. We are now seeking the community's input regarding the colors of the equipment and the types of activity panels the community would like to incorporate.

All members of the public are welcome to attend. It is the goal of the Community Services Department to install the equipment and to make it available for play before summer 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact Community Services Department at (310) 618-2930.

City Council
Frank Scotto, Mayor
Gene Barnett Paul M. Nowatka
Tom Brewer Bill Sutherland
Gene Drevno Hope Witkowsky

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