

# **ACTION FORM BRYAN CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date (?) 02/28/2017 Subject Matter\* (?) Approval of a contract for Synthetic Turf installation at Nutrabolt Stadium This must match rolling agenda entry Department of Origin\* PARKS & RECREATION Submitted By\* M Darrell Lovelette Type of Meeting\* C BCD Special Regular Classification\* Public Hearing Consent Statutory Regular Ordinance\* C First Read Second Read C First & Only Read None Strategic Initiative\* ☐ Public Safety ✓ Service **▼** Economic Development ✓ Infrastructure Quality of Life Agenda Item Description\* Consideration to award a contract to Swank Sports, LLC for the installation of synthetic turf and

outfield fencing on the Bombers field in Nutrabolt Stadium for an amount not to exceed

\$1,182,600.

Summary Statement\*

At the Tuesday, November 8, 2016, City Council Workshop, a presentation was made titled, "Financial Resources and Possible Plans for Parks, Fields, and the Brazos Valley Bombers." Information was shared concerning financing options for several projects with one being renovations and upgrades to Travis Field/Nutrabolt Stadium, home of the Brazos Valley Bombers. After discussing the projects, the City Council indicated an interest in all presented projects.

In follow-up to the November 8 Workshop presentation, at the Tuesday, January 10, 2017, City Council meeting, the Fourth Amendment to the contract between the City of Bryan and Infinity Sports Entertainment was approved by the City Council. This Amendment includes improvements to the leased premises commonly known as Travis Field/Nutrabolt Stadium in an amount not to exceed \$1,863,935. As a reminder, per the 4th Amendment, Infinity is responsible to make payments to the City of Bryan over a ten (10) year period; annual payments are \$27,836 for a ten (10) year total amount of \$278,360.

The improvements listed in the Amendment as "possible improvements" include a sheet metal outfield fence, new irrigation system, infield replacement, field leveling, new turf installation, warning track installation, grandstand repairs and painting, press box repairs, new field lighting, parking lot improvements, new scoreboard, synthetic turf (infield or entire field), and new portable bleachers.

Based on the minimal time to complete projects before the 2017 season, City staff opted to use purchasing cooperatives for both materials and installations, if available. This purchasing method results in the City essentially being the General Contractor and the awarded companies are sub-contractors. Staff was able to receive purchasing cooperative pricing along with at least two proposals for most items. These proposals were evaluated and recommendations for award were finalized for City Council consideration. Projects for City Council consideration include the synthetic turf and fencing, field lighting, and grandstand renovations. Other projects are projected to be within the City Manager's spending authority, those projects may include grandstand painting, new scoreboard, press box renovations, and portable bleachers.

Swank Sports has proposed installing 122,825 square feet of AstroTurf GameDay Grass. Their proposal includes all labor, materials, tools, and equipment necessary to install in-place synthetic turf applications as referenced in their published product specifications. They also will remove the outfield fence and foul poles, and replace the same with a new fence and foul poles per the attached design. The fence will be an eight foot (8') high vinyl coated fence. The contractor will supply a portable pitcher's mound so the facility can become a multipurpose facility. The synthetic turf will include all areas considered as "in play" within the stadium, including a design element for a soccer field component. A summary of the work that they will be performing is detailed on the cost proposal attached to this Council Action Form.

# Staff Analysis & Recommendation\*

This project was first introduced during a presentation on November 8, 2016, when Uri Geva, of Infinity Sports Entertainment, suggested an estimated project cost of \$1,014,750 and staff estimated the project cost at \$1,400,000. Since that presentation, the project is included in the City Council approved 4th Amendment. City staff requested a proposal for this project from the company Mr. Geva had suggested, and obtained a second proposal. The specifications for the product and installation are similar, and both companies indicated their product and installation could be purchased through a purchasing cooperative. However, upon reviewing both proposals, staff learned that only one is through a Buyboard with which the City of Bryan is a member. Consequently, the recommendation is for the project to be completed by Swank Sports.

Swank Sports is a reputable firm and has installed Astroturf fields at Bryan High School, Rudder High School, Penberthy Sports Complex at Texas A&M, as well as many other sports complexes across the nation and world. They have a good reputation and offer a great product.

Therefore, staff recommends awarding the installation of synthetic turf at Nutrabolt Field to Swank Sports, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$1,182,600. The other proposal was from Symmetry Turf Sports at a proposal price of \$996,799, but the company does not belong to a purchasing cooperative with which the City has an agreement.

## Options\*

(In Suggested Order of Staff Preference)

- 1. Approve the recommendation and award the contract.
- 2. Do not approve the recommendation and award to the other company, which may require consideration at a future City Council meeting.
- 3. Do not approve the recommendation and provide direction to staff.

### Funding Source\*

Available Funding Sources -- Capital Reserve Fund, Oil & Gas Fund, General Fund, and HOT Fund - per November 8, 2016 Workshop Presentation and City Council approval of the Bombers 4th Amendment (January 10, 2017).

As a reminder, this expenditure was not part of the FY17 budget and is therefore an unplanned expenditure. However, the City Council approved the 4th Amendment, which includes multiple projects totaling \$1,863,935.

#### **Attachments**

Nutrabolt Stadium Proposalswank.pdf

173.02KB

Brazos Valley Bombers BB Park R1- Opt11.pdf

3.08MB

Please detail attachments and note attachments available for viewing in Gty Secretary's Office:

- 1. Cost Proposal
- 2. Design
- 3. Contract -- Available for viewing in the City Secretary's Office.

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