AMENDED 05/24/02

DATE: May 30, 2002 B8

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Philip R. Day, Jr., Chancellor

Subject: CAPITAL OUTLAY
Authorization to Award Construction Contract - Turf Builder Company
(Resolution No. 020530-B8)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
Project: Stadium Football Field Turf Replacement

The District publicly advertised the project Bid Invitation for soliciting bid proposals from contractors, and received two bids from Southwest Recreational Industries, Inc., and Turf Builder Company. The District wishes to contract with Turf Builders Company, the responsive low bidder, for the project: Stadium Football Field Turf Replacement.

This project consists of: supply and install 70,200 square foot of 2-1/2” thick outdoor synthetic football/multipurpose grass (FieldTurf) for the stadium football field. The product specified is a hybrid fiber material made from polyethylene and tufted into a porous surface. Synthetic grass system provides a playable outdoor surface 12 months a year without the negatives associated with maintenance and repairs due to inclement weather and overuse of natural grass. Substantial savings from the scheduled maintenance and required equipment are expected in the long run. And the porous backing evacuates water rapidly to keep the field in perfect playing condition regardless of the weather.

The District received two bids on this project:
Southwest Recreation $299,157.00
Turf Builder Company $426,959.35

Southwest Recreation’s bid was rejected because it did not meet the requirements set forth in the CCSF Bid Documents. Their bid was based on a product that was not submitted for District approval. CCSF Bid Document’s Technical Specifications clearly states in Section 3, 3.0, Materials, “The synthetic turf material and resilient infill shall be manufactured by FieldTurf or approved equal.” General Conditions Section Q 3.10 for substitutions requires that any product substitutions be submitted to the District five days before the bid opening for District review and approval.
Southwest Recreational has failed to submit any request for substitution. In the bid package submitted they have indicated they will be using AstroPlay. At the time of the bid Southwest Recreational provided a sample of the product but no specifications or letter requesting AstroPlay be approved as a substitution for FieldTurf.

Turf Builders will be installing FieldTurf.

The project is funded by the 1997 Bond fund, and is to be charged to 42131C-8071-6202-7100-REN (Renovation).

RECOMMENDATION:

RESOLVED: That authorization be hereby given to contract with Turf Builders Company, the responsive low bidder, for the project: Stadium Football Field Turf Replacement, to be completed on or before August 31, 2002, at a cost of not to exceed $426,959.35 and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration and/or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents on behalf of the District to effectuate this resolution.

Peter Goldstein, originator
W/ David Liggett