

**CITY OF WEST ALLIS
RESOLUTION R-2021-0044**

**RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO ACCEPTING THE SOLE SOURCE PROPOSAL OF
GRG PLAYSAPES OF MILWAUKEE TO DESIGN AND INSTALL A NATURAL
PLAYSCAPE AT THE BURNHAM POINTE PARK AS PART OF THE BURNHAM
POINTE BETTER BLOCK PROJECT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000**

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2019 the Common Council of the City of West Allis passed resolution R-2019-0084 to provide community engagement and neighborhood revitalization strategies for the Burnham Pointe Neighborhood and directed the Planning & Zoning Manager to enter into a professional services contract for community engagement and neighborhood revitalization efforts in the Burnham Pointe Neighborhood; and,

WHEREAS, the Burnham Pointe Better Block project was successful in building community and showing off the potential of the intersection at S. 60th Street and W. Burnham Streets with many of the residents and businesses expressing interest in making these temporary changes permanent; and,

WHEREAS, the City of West Allis Planning & Zoning solicited for a design consultant to design the permanent changes to the City's vacant gravel lot along the south side of W. Burnham Street west of the S. 60th Street intersection on June 12, 2020 under RFP #20-006 "Burnham Pointe Park"; and,

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2020 the Common Council of the City of West Allis passed resolution R-2020-0388 and directed the Planning & Zoning Manager to enter into a landscape/design/architectural service contract with Parkitecture Planning, LLC to design the permanent changes to the City's vacant lot to create a play area and community space at Burnham Pointe Park; and,

WHEREAS, Parkitecture Planning, LLC has worked with GRG Playscapes on past projects and were satisfied with the services provided; and,

WHEREAS, GRG Playscapes has received multiple awards for various park projects in the Milwaukee, Madison, and Chicago areas; and,

WHEREAS, GRG Playscapes is a design-build natural playscape company that tailors play components to specifically meet a client's needs and the unique qualities of their site. They were able to take about 950 square feet of the Burnham Point vacant lot and envision its potential to become a natural world of wonder for children to run, jump, climb and explore.

WHEREAS, GRG Playscapes utilizes locally harvested and locally manufactured Black Locust (or Robinia) lumber which is known and utilized for outdoor construction around the world. Black Locust is an invasive species in Wisconsin so GRG Playscapes removes an unwanted non-native tree and repurposes it for play. These playscapes are one of kind works of art using the highest quality materials and requiring minimal maintenance. Most commercial play equipment is made of plastic or metal however this design/build unique playscape will create just the community

space the City is looking to provide; and,

WHEREAS, GRG Playscapes has extensive experience designing and installing natural playscapes exactly like the City is interested in installing on the vacant lot at Burnham Pointe. The team of local craftsmen process, hand sand, prefab and build unique products specific to each client's sites; and,

WHEREAS, the Development Department has determined that this contract is inappropriate for competitive selection due to the lack companies that specialize on designing and installing natural playscapes; and,

WHEREAS, Planning & Zoning has determined that the proposal received is reasonable; and,

WHEREAS, the Common Council deems it to be in the best interests of the City of West Allis that the proposal of GRG Playscapes be accepted.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of West Allis as follows: 1. That the Director of Development, or his designee, is authorized to enter into a sole source contract for the play area design and construction with GRG Playscapes for "Burnham Pointe Park" in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00. 2. That the sum of \$90,000 for "Burnham Pointe Park" be and is hereby appropriated from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds (Acct number 220-7522-563.31-02 and Project number C20407) 3. That the City Attorney be and is hereby authorized to make such substantive changes, modifications, additions and deletions to and from the various provisions of the proposal from GRG Playscapes as may be necessary and proper to correct inconsistencies, eliminate ambiguity and otherwise clarify and supplement said provisions to preserve and maintain the general intent thereof and to protect the interests of the City, including but not limited to, any and all changes necessary to preserve the intent of the Common Council of the City of West Allis.

SECTION 1: **ADOPTION** "R-2021-0044" of the City Of West Allis Municipal Resolutions is hereby *added* as follows:

BEFORE ADOPTION

R-2021-0044 (Non-existent)

AFTER ADOPTION

R-2021-0044(*Added*)

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS COUNCIL JANUARY 19, 2021.

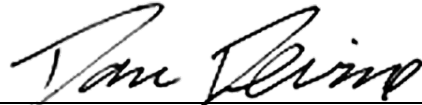
	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Ald. Angelito Tenorio	_____	_____	<u> X </u>	_____
Ald. Vince Vitale	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Tracy Stefanski	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Marty Weigel	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Suzzette Grisham	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Danna Kuehn	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Thomas Lajsic	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Dan Roadt	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Rosalie Reinke	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Kevin Haass	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____

Attest

Presiding Officer



Rebecca Grill, City Clerk, City Of
West Allis



Dan Devine, Mayor City Of West Allis

