

COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting Date: February 16, 2021
Department: Community Services
Report No.: CS-2021-02
Submitted by: Robert Lilbourne, Director of Community Services
Approved by: Fred Tranquilli, Chief Administrative Officer / Clerk
SUBJECT: **Bennett St. Park Playground RFP Award**

RECOMMENDATION: THAT: Report CS-2021-02 entitled “Bennett St. Park Playground RFP Award” be received for information, and further;

THAT: Council approve the awarding of the Bennett St. Park Playground RFP to Openspace Solutions Inc. Option 1 for a value of \$113,549.88.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This matter is in accord with the following strategic priorities:

Community Wellbeing – Residents of all ages in Strathroy-Caradoc will have access to community amenities and activities that are accessible and support active lifestyles and well being.

BACKGROUND:

As part of the Municipality’s commitment to ensuring that, we provide safe and inclusive recreational opportunities to residents and visitors alike, Council included in the 2021 Capital Budget priorities a play structure for the Bennett St. Park in Mt. Brydges

The Request for Proposal (RFP), was advertised on the Municipality’s Bids and Tenders Page of our Website. At the time of closing, the Municipality received the seven bid packages. The bids ranged from a low of \$103,261.00 to a high of \$114,992.12

COMMENTS:

All bids were independently reviewed and scored by municipal staff utilizing a matrix that allotted 30 points for cost. The remaining 70 points were allocated for such items as; technical requirements, warranty, creativity, aesthetics, accessibility, safety surfacing, timeline, qualifications, experience, and references.

The successful bidder was not the lowest, however, scored the highest with a total of 90.75 points out of a possible 100.

CONSULTATION:

Darren Dowding, Supervisor of Parks and Recreational Facilities

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The playground portion of this project comes in under budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

Conceptual drawings