

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Piggyback Recommendation of \$500,000 or Greater 56-103T – Playground Equipment, Surfacing, and Fabric Shade Structures

This request is to approve the recommendation to award Piggyback 56-103T for a two (2) year term (June 22, 2016, through July 31, 2018) with two (2) additional one-year options to renew. Both Physical Plant Operations (PPO) and the Office of Facilities and Construction (OFC) are requesting an authorized spending authority in the amount of \$6,260,000.

In 2007, Bid 28-073T, Playground Equipment, was approved by the Board for a two-year term (October 1, 2007, through September 30, 2009) and was renewed for two (2) additional one-year periods. In 2012, a piggyback utilizing the School District of Palm Beach County was approved via post approval for \$800,000 of which \$478,216 was expended.

A benchmark was performed against a nationally solicited cooperative bid, U.S. Communities, and it was determined that the School Board contracts being recommended offer between four (4) and nine (9) percent greater savings. In addition, a benchmark study was performed against Clay County, which yielded a greater savings by five (5) percent.

As of today, the demand for playground equipment has increased due to schools receiving School Choice Enhancement Program (SCEP) funding. Procurement and Warehousing Services (PWS), along with PPO and OFC, are recommending this piggyback as a solution to purchase playground equipment for two years. During the course of the two-year term, staff of PWS, PPO, and OFC will continue to monitor market conditions and the District's needs to determine what the best course of action will be.

This piggyback will be utilized by PPO and OFC and is essential for providing playground equipment parts and installation, repair/installation of playground rubber/artificial turf surfacing, and repair/installation of playground shade structures in order to keep all playgrounds safe and operational for students.

A careful review of Palm Beach and Manatee School's bid identified seven (7) awarded vendors that meet the District's playground equipment and playground surfacing needs. The breakdown of the seven (7) vendors are as follows:

Board Approved Contract Term	Original School District	Bid Number	Approved Vendor(s)
August 20, 2015 through August 19, 2020	Palm Beach	15C-32B	Apollo Sunguard Systems, Inc. Lanier Plans, Inc. d/b/a Korkat Leadex Corporation Playmore West, Inc. Rep Services, Inc. Superior Park Systems, Inc.
September 9, 2015 through September 8, 2018	Manatee	16-0025-MR	Bliss Products and Services, Inc.

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The requested spending authority of \$6,260,000 includes \$4,900,000 for OFC and SCEP projects and \$1,360,000 for PPO projects.

Both departments worked collaboratively to ensure that the work to be performed at the schools does not contradict each other's workload at the various school sites. When voting is completed by all schools and if it is determined that additional funding is needed, the departments will return to the Board for an authorized increase in spending authority. Funding for this piggyback Agreement will come from the SMART/ADEFP budget for the SCEP and PPO's operating budget.

Supplier evaluations are being provided for vendors that PPO have previously utilized to purchase playground equipment mainly through the previous piggyback contract. Only PPO and Stockroom Staff provided evaluations because those employees work directly with the vendors.