

City of Missoula, Montana Item to be Referred to City Council Committee

Committee:	Parks and Conservation
Item:	Purchase Poligon Park Shelters
Date:	August 11, 2020
Sponsor(s):	Nathan McLeod
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Ward(s) Affected:	 □ Ward 1 □ Ward 2 □ Ward 5 □ Ward 3 □ Ward 6 □ All Wards □ N/A

Action Required:

Approve purchase in the amount of \$69,675 for 3 portalet enclosures and 1 picnic shade shelter.

Recommended Motion(s):

I move the City Council: Approve the purchase of the Poligon Park Shelters from Play Space Designs for \$69,675.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract.

Timeline:

Referral to committee: Committee discussion: Council action (or sets hearing): Public Hearing: Deadline: August 24, 2020 August 26, 2020 Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text.

Background and Alternatives Explored:

Lack of restrooms are tied with dogs off leash for the #1 reason why people don't visit parks more, or stay longer. In order to provide a cost effective, safe, clean, and equitable experience for park users, Missoula Parks and Recreation has found a Portable Chemical Toilet (portalet) to be the preferred toilet facility for neighborhood parks.

The Health Board and Water Quality Boards support portable toilets in neighborhood parks as they best meet both sanitation and safety goals, while supporting healthy outdoor lifestyles. DPHHS has approved portable chemical toilets as the toilet facility for picnic shelters in Missoula parks. A portalet (with an attached hand wash station) is also allowed by DPHHS to serve as the primary toilet & changing facility for Westside Park splash deck.

Housing portalets inside of permanent shelters helps to reduce vandalism such as tipping them over, is aesthetically more appealing and provides users more privacy. One portalet enclosure is for Rose Memorial Park (Ward 3), one for Westside Park (Ward 2), and one for Fort Missoula Regional Park (Community Park serving all wards, and Missoula County).

The Picnic shade shelter is part of the Westside Park Master Plan. This shade shelter replaces the existing outdated shelter in the park, and will be located adjacent to the spray deck to provide visitors better access to the various amenities in the park. The shelter is designed to offer shade,

not full weather protection and will include motion sensor security lighting to help reduce undesirable behavior.

The expected lifespan of these shelters is approximately 30-40 years, and therefore represents a good investment, and overall better value than alternative structures

Financial Implications:

By combining the purchase of the 4 structures into one order we are able to save taxpayers \$4,400 in freight charges.

This projects have been approved via the budget processes and the financial breakdown is as follows:

\$50,857 Westside Park Phase 1 (1 portalet enclosure, 1 picnic shade shelter) CIP – Park District

\$9,409 Memorial Rose Park 1 portalet enclosure – Impact fees

\$9,409 Fort Missoula Regional park (FMRP) 1 portalet enclosure - CIP

\$9,409 for the FMRP shelter will be reimbursed to the city from 2014 County parks and Trails General Obligation Bond.

Links to external websites: