City Council Item

September 22, 2025

Item	Approve Civic Campus Splashpad Purchase with Commercial Recreation Specialist, Inc	
File No.		**Item No:** D.9
Agenda Section	**CONSENT AGENDA**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION

"The Chanhassen City Council approves the recommended quotes to Commercial Recreation Specialist in the amount of $207,563.00 for Splashpad equipment and installation for the new Civic Campus Splashpad."

Motion Type	Simple Majority Vote of members present
Strategic Priority	Asset Management

SUMMARY

The Civic Campus Splashpad is part of the City of Chanhassen's major Civic Campus redevelopment, designed to create a vibrant, family-friendly, and accessible community space in downtown Chanhassen. The splashpad is located on the Civic Campus, which is at the northeast intersection of West 78th Street and Kerber Boulevard, bordered by Market Boulevard to the east and City Center Park to the north. The site is adjacent to key civic facilities, including the new City Hall, Senior Center, Chanhassen Library, and Fire Station, making it a central and easily accessible destination for residents and visitors alike. This new amenity for the civic space is not only open and playful, but also sculptural and artistic in its design. The City of Chanhassen's first splashpad will be a great addition to the community that will keep families coming back time and time again.

BACKGROUND

Splash pads are highly valued recreational amenities that offer safe, inclusive, and engaging water play for children and families. They are increasingly prioritized in community planning due to their broad appeal, safety, and ability to foster community engagement. In Chanhassen, a new splashpad is planned for the Civic Campus, with installation targeted for spring 2026, reflecting strong resident demand and alignment with regional trends.

Key features of a Vortex splash pad include:

- Zero-depth water play (no standing water, improved safety)
- Variety of age-appropriate spray elements and interactive features
- 8 LED ground sprays can be choreographed and illuminated when splashpad not in use
- ADA-compliant design, ensuring accessibility for all users

Design & Amenities:

The design includes the following water features listed below. The splash pad can be tailored to accommodate a wide age range and can be integrated with future park improvements.

- (2) Silhouette No-3
- (1) Silhouette No-4
- (2) Bamboo Rain
- (1) Coreoplay Rainbow Set (8 LED ground sprays)
- (1) Playsafe Drain

The Civic Campus system is designed to be a pass-through flow system, meaning the water supply is constant and not recirculated/reused. The advantage of this type of system is that the city wouldn't be required to have staff be certified as pool operators, and the need to test water quality multiple times per day, seven days a week, when the splashpad is in operation. The water collected is designed to drain into the stormwater piping, and water collected will eventually flow into the Market Blvd pond south of the railroad tracks. That pond water will be collected and used as part of the water reuse system that will supply the Civic Campus irrigation and landscaping beds, City Center Park athletic field irrigation, fire station irrigation, and portions of the downtown center island irrigation, etc.

DISCUSSION

BUDGET

RECOMMENDATION

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ATTACHMENTS

View 1
View 2

View 3
Quote #27703-REV2 City of Chanhassen Civic Complex Splashpad Equipment & Installation
Commercail Recreation Specialist Splashpad Equipment Installation Contract.docx