City Council Item

February 24, 2025

Item	Approve Purchase, Park Equipment Replacement for Carver Beach Park	
File No.		**Item No:** D.9
Agenda Section	**CONSENT AGENDA**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION

"The Chanhassen City Council approves the quote from St. Croix Recreation for $46,145.68 plus $3,500 for playground equipment and installation assist at Carver Beach Park totaling $49,645.68."

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

SUMMARY

BACKGROUND

Included in the approved 2025 budget, the Park Renovation Fund will begin to receive $100,000 annually to fund park improvement projects identified and approved by the council.

Carver Beach Playground was originally installed in 1998 and, with the recommended 25 year lifecycle, should have been replaced in 2023. It was not replaced in 2023 due to other higher priority playground replacements. The current playground is showing signs of age and some of the replacement parts are no longer being manufactured.

In light of budget constraints, staff looked for ways to complete the playground replacement at a reduced cost. Staff identified an interesting opportunity to purchase playground equipment as part of an “Early Bird Sale” offered by the Burke Playground Manufacturing company. Burke's Early Bird Sale

on certain playground packages discounted up to 35% off. St. Croix Recreation, the Minnesota based vendor of Burke, prepared two options for the Carver Beach Playground (NU-3428, Sale Price $26,065) and (SY-3720, Sale Price $29,575). St. Croix Recreation also included a couple of stand-alone, multi-user spinning events, two bays of swings, including the Freedom ADA seat, and an attached dish-style multi-user swing. Both options adequately fill the container space. There is also room for additional stand-alone activities should they be needed later on. Both structures are geared for ages 5-12 but with ground-level and under-deck activities, which will allow safe play for younger kids as well. The multi-user activities, including the Cirrus Swing and Swift Twist, are suitable for the full range of ages 2-13+ years.

DISCUSSION

At their February 10th meeting City Council discussed two playground options and recommended the city purchase BCI Burke Play structure SY-3720. St. Croix Recreation also included other play features to fill the playground container which totaled $46,145.68. The city also is recommending St. Croix Recreation assist with equipment layout, excavation of holes and elevation of holes. That includes two days of active supervision of city staff to install equipment and is an additional $3,500.00.

BUDGET

RECOMMENDATION

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ATTACHMENTS

Carver Beach Playground Option 2
Carver Beach Estimate St Croix Recreation