April 3, 2007

Board of Supervisors County of Marin Marin County Civic Center San Rafael, California 94903

## SUBJECT: REQUEST TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR FOREST KNOLLS PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Dear Supervisors:

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Authorize the President to execute the attached agreement with Community Playgrounds, Inc. in the amount of \$182,528.00 to construct improvements at Forest Knolls Park.
- 2. Approve a standard 10% contingency of \$18,253.00 for staff-authorized extras and change orders that may occur in conjunction with this project.

**SUMMARY:** County Parks and the Forest Knolls community have developed a plan to renovate a 0.4-acre community park at the intersection of Guadalupe and Montezuma Avenues. As approved by the Community and your Board, the plan includes new play structures, an accessible parking spot, an accessible path of travel, a picnic area and a portable restroom. The project was advertised in June 2006, but bids were rejected due to higher than expected costs. After minor modifications to the plans, the Board authorized advertising the project once again in February 2007. Three proposals were received, with the lowest bid coming from Community Playgrounds, Inc. in the amount of \$182,528.00.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Total project cost, including contingency, is \$200,781. Funding would come from the following Parks capital improvement accounts:

PC-4052-12	\$ 22,500.00
PC-4052-06	\$178,280.80

PC-4052-06 will be reimbursed \$5,000 from a First 5 Marin grant.

## **REVIEWED BY:**

[	] Auditor Controller	[X] N/A
[	] County Counsel	[ X ] N/A
[	] Human Resources	[ X ] N/A

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Respectfully submitted,

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