RESOLUTION

APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN CENTERED DESIGN FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING POTENTIAL SITES FOR THE LOCATION OF THE LEGACY PLAYGROUND

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Fourteen

WHEREAS, the Leadership Greater Nashua Class of 2012 has offered to donate to the City accessible public playground equipment to be located at Greeley Park and to be known as the Legacy Playground; and

WHEREAS, R-14-001 resolved to locate the Legacy Playground on the west side of Greeley Park, behind the stone house at the end of the picnic area; and

WHEREAS, there has been concern expressed regarding the location of the Legacy Playground at Greeley Park; and

WHEREAS, the City would like to insure that the Legacy Playground is located at a site that is appropriate and provides the best public access; and

WHEREAS, the possible sites to be reviewed and assessed for locating the Legacy Playground include: Greeley Park, west side behind stone bathhouse; Greeley Park, east side between horseshoe pits and tennis courts; Greeley Park at Manchester Street; Sargents Avenue at the site of existing playground; Lincoln Park; Atherton Park; Southwest Park – Yudicky Farm; Mine Falls, City land behind Boys and Girls Club near canal and walking trails; Shady Lane – Kirkpatrick; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Human Centered Design is a non-profit organization with a long history of providing accessibility and universal design consultation and services; and

WHEREAS, one-half of the cost of the assessment will be paid for by private donations and the other half of the cost will be paid by the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that the City enter into a contract with the Institute for Human Centered Design for the purpose of preparing a written assessment of the most suitable location(s) for the Legacy Playground and to prepare a presentation for this board on its assessment. The contract with the Institute for Human Centered Design shall not exceed the amount of $5,000.00.
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the sum of $2,500 be transferred from Department 194, Accounting Classification 70 - Contingency into Department 177 Parks and Recreation, Accounting Classification 53 – Professional & Technical Services for the purpose of funding one-half of the cost of the above-described assessment.
LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2014

RESOLUTION: R-14-023

PURPOSE: Approving a contract with the Institute for Human Centered Design for the purpose of evaluating potential sites for the location of the Legacy Playground

ENDORisers: Alderman David Schoneman

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: R-l4-023

FISCAL NOTE: Reduces amount available in general contingency account.

ANALYSIS

This resolution approves the hiring of a consultant, the Institute for Human Centered Design, to review and assess potential sites for the location of the Legacy Playground. The Institute would provide a written report and a presentation to the board of aldermen on its review and assessment. The cost of the assessment and review will not exceed $5,000.00. One half of the cost of the review and assessment will be paid for through private donations. The balance of the contract cost will be borne by the City.

This resolution authorizes the transfer of $2,500 from General Contingency into the Parks and Recreation operating budget to fund the city’s half of the cost of the assessment.

Charter Sec. 53 permits the Board of Aldermen to transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance or any portion thereof from one department, fund or agency to another.

NRO § 5-130, H provides that “when proposed legislation to transfer or reappropriate a particular appropriation or portion thereof has had its first reading, such funds shall not be expended or transferred while the legislation is pending”.

Approved as to account number and/or structure, and amount:

Approved as to form:

Financial Services Division

By: [Signature]

Office of Corporation Counsel

By: [Signature]

Date: April 8, 2014
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