

City of Arts & Innovation

Park and Recreation Commission

TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS DATE: JANUARY 9, 2017

FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY WARDS: ALL

SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: RECEIPT OF IMAGINATION PLAYGROUND™ EQUIPMENT FROM KABOOM!

AND TARGET ENTERPRISES, INC. VALUED AT \$15,930

ISSUE:

Receipt of the Imagination Playground™ equipment granted by KaBOOM! and provided by Target Enterprises, Inc. valued at \$15,930.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Receive for file report on receipt of Imagination Playground™ equipment valued at \$15,930 granted by KaBOOM! and funded by Target Enterprises, Inc.

BACKGROUND:

For nine consecutive years, the City of Riverside has earned national recognition through KaBoom's Playful City USA program. KaBOOM! is a national non-profit organization creating places for kids to play, inspiring communities to promote and support play, and driving discussion in Washington D.C. for healthier, playable cities. As a member of the Playful City USA program, the City qualifies to apply for grants through KaBOOM!, and its funding partners.

DISCUSSION:

The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department (PRCSD) was invited to submit a grant/donation application for the Imagination Playground™. Imagination Playground™ is an indoor/outdoor playspace concept created by architect David Rockwell which uses uniquely shaped foam blocks and loose parts to empower children to design their own course of play. The kit contains a wide variety of shapes, and offers a changing array of elements, allowing children to constantly reconfigure their environment and to design their own course of play.

The department received notice of award on September 13, 2016, and the equipment has been delivered.

PRCSD anticipates using Imagination Playground™ at both indoor and outdoor locations. Due to the mobility of the equipment, it will be transported to special events such as the Winter Wonderland and Spring Eggstravanza.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The estimated value of the equipment is \$15,930. There is no impact to the General Fund.

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