

# City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: AUGUST 19, 2025

FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY WARD: 1

**SERVICES DEPARTMENT** 

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 2426 FOR THE DESIGN-BUILD AGREEMENT

WITH SPOHN RANCH, INC., OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, FOR THE BOBBY BONDS SKATEPARK REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT

OF \$500,000

# **ISSUE:**

Award Request for Proposal No. 2426 to Spohn Ranch, Inc., of Los Angeles, California, for the Design-Build of Bobby Bonds Skatepark Replacement project in the amount of \$500,000.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

- 1. Award Request for Proposal No. 2426 to Spohn Ranch, Inc., of Los Angeles, California, for the Bobby Bonds Skatepark Replacement project in the amount of \$500,000; and
- 2. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Design-Build Agreement with Spohn Ranch, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On November 8, 2016, the City of Riverside voters approved Measure Z, a one-cent transaction and use tax to help pay for critical unfunded City programs and services, including repair and maintenance of City facilities, such as police and fire stations, recreation centers and libraries, as well as road and tree maintenance.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Bobby Bonds Park is in the City of Riverside's Eastside neighborhood, one of the City's oldest and largest residential neighborhoods. Park amenities include a skatepark, playground, pool, artificial turf field, basketball court, ballfield, and gymnasium. The park is also home to the Cesar Chavez Community Center, the Youth Opportunity Center, and will soon host the new Eastside Library. These facilities provide low or no-cost recreation opportunities, team sports and supportive services to encourage healthy and active lifestyles, strengthen community bonds,

and provide a better quality of life for the surrounding residents. The park serves disadvantaged and severely disadvantaged communities within a half-mile service area making the park an important location to invest in improvements.

The skatepark at Bobby Bonds Park was originally constructed around 2008 using a modular metal framed ramp system and is now due for replacement. The replacement skatepark will be built by a company that will provide both design and construction services. The skatepark will change to concrete components which will require less maintenance and have a longer usable life than metal ramps, which typically last 8-10 years. The skatepark will be resurfaced to eliminate cracks and provide a smooth skating surface. Skateboarding promotes physical fitness and helps people build important life skills such as perseverance, coordination, and creativity. Skateboarding became an Olympic sport in 2021, and replacing the existing Bobby Bonds skatepark with a modern and well-designed concrete skatepark can provide a venue for development of homegrown skateboarding talent. The only other skatepark in the City is located about 8 miles away at Hunt Park, so replacing the Bobby Bonds skatepark is important to provide a nearby facility for residents living on the eastern half of the City.

On November 15, 2024, the Purchasing Division posted Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 2426 on the City's website for the Design-Build of Bobby Bonds Skatepark Replacement and New Skatepark at Bryant Park project.

The solicitation notification is summarized in the table below:

Action	Number of Vendors	
External Vendors Notified	500	
City of Riverside Vendors Notified	276	
Vendors who downloaded the RFP	63	
Proposals received	2	

RFP No. 2426 closed on January 7, 2025, with a total of two responses. Both responses were found to be responsive and responsible. Under the guidance of the purchasing department, three City staff evaluated the proposals for two rounds, which resulted in Spohn Ranch ranking No. 1. The evaluation criteria, total points and rankings for each evaluation round are summarized in the tables below.

#### Round 1

Evaluation Criteria	Total Points
Approach and Methodology Specific to this Project	25%
Prior Experience in designing similar facilities	20%
Qualifications	25%
Professional References	10%
Pricing	20%

## **Evaluation Results**

Vendor	Location	Total Cost	Total Point	Rank
Spohn Ranch	Los Angeles, CA	\$500,000.00	913	1
American Ramp Company	Joplin, MO	\$500,000.00	903	2

The top two consultants were within a competitive point range and were invited to move forward into Interviews (Round 2 Evaluation).

## Round 2

Evaluation Criteria	<b>Total Points</b>
Proposal Presentation and Meeting Experience / Effectiveness	20%
Responses to Interview Questions	40%
Demonstrated qualities/services that distinguish Proposer from	40%
others	

#### **Evaluation Results**

Vendor	Location	Total Cost	Total Point	Rank
Spohn Ranch	Los Angeles, CA	\$500,000.00	925	1
American Ramp Company	Joplin, MO	\$500,000.00	845	2

Purchasing Resolution 24101, Section 508 Awards states, "Contracts procured through Formal Procurement shall be awarded by the Awarding Entity to the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, except that: (c) Contracts procured through Formal Procurement for Services or Professional Services, where a Request for Proposals or Request for Qualifications was used to solicit Bids, shall be awarded by the Awarding Entity in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth in the Request for Proposals or Request for Qualifications."

The Purchasing Resolution No 24101, Section 900 Acquisition of Design-Build Services shall be completed in conformance with Section 1114 of the City Charter and Chapter 1.07 of the City Municipal Code. To the extent not inconsistent with the City Charter and Municipal Code, the provisions of this Resolution, as amended from time to time, shall apply to all Design-Build Public Works Projects. All Design-Build Services, regardless of Procurement dollar amount and approval limits for each Awarding Entity, shall follow the selection process and process outlined in Chapter 1.07 of the City Municipal Code

The Purchasing Manager is in concurrence with the recommended actions are in accordance with Purchasing Resolution 24101, Sections 508(c) and 900.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**:

The total fiscal impact of this action is \$500,000. Sufficient funding is budgeted and available in Measure Z Capital, Bobby Bonds Skate Park project account 9929609-4620500.

No additional maintenance costs are anticipated from the implementation of this project since maintenance is already being performed at this skate park.

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Certified as to

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Approved by: Kris Martinez, Assistant City Manager

Approved as to form: Rebecca McKee-Reimbold, Interim City Attorney

Attachments:

- 1. Award Recommendation
- Agreement
  Presentation