

MEETING DATE: June 22, 2015

AGENDA ITEM: (1) Discussion of Design Concept “A” and the Related Budget for the Rehabilitation of the Playground for Children Ages 2 – 5 at Syd Kronenthal Park and (2) Consideration of a Budget Adjustment of \$75,523.80 to Augment the Remaining \$62,051.20 in Proposition A Cities Excess Funds to Fund the Project for Total Amount of \$137,575.00, Should Such Use of the Proposition A Funding be Approved by the County of Los Angeles Regional Park and Open Space District.

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Meeting Date: <u>06/02/15</u>		Item Number: <u>J-1</u>	
CITY COUNCIL/PRCS COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM: (1) Discussion of The Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project and (2) Solicitation of Comments from the Syd Kronenthal Park/Culver City East Neighborhood Related to the Project and the Other Playground Site in Syd Kronenthal Park.			
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Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
Public Notification: Meetings and Agendas – City Council (05/28/15); Meetings and Agendas – PRCS Commission (05/28/15); (Email) Parks, Recreation & Community Service Department Updates (5/28/15); (Email) Syd Kronenthal Park/Culver City East Neighborhood (05/14/15 and 05/28/15); (Posting of Notices) Syd Kronenthal Park (05/15/15); (Postcard Mailing) Culver City “Occupants” Within a 500 Foot Buffer of Syd Kronenthal Park (05/20/15).			
Department Approval: Martin R. Cole (05/27/15) Dan Hernandez (5/27/15)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (05/27/15)	
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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council: (1) discuss the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project (Project) and (2) solicit comments from the Syd Kronenthal Park/Culver City East Neighborhood (Neighborhood) related to the Project and the other playground site in Syd Kronenthal Park (SK Park).

BACKGROUND:

On April 30, 2015, a Grand Opening Ceremony was held at the newly renovated playground for children ages 5 through 12 at Syd Kronenthal Park, 3459 McManus Avenue, Culver City, CA 90232. Vice Mayor Weissman, Council Member Sahli-Wells, PRCS Commissioner Heineman, staff and members of the community were in attendance. At the Ceremony, and subsequently at the May 5, 2015 PRCS Commission meeting and the May 11 and May 18, 2015 City Council meetings, some Syd Kronenthal Park neighborhood residents expressed concerns regarding the recently installed playground equipment. Specifically, parents/caregivers reported that children younger than the age of 5 had been enjoying the previous playground equipment, including the traditional-style slide and swings, and had now been

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displaced since the new equipment was no longer suitable for that age group. Additionally, some members of the public felt that the existing playground for children ages 2 – 5, which lies to the east of the 5 – 12 playground, does not offer adequate recreational activities for their children due to the small size and limited amount of playground equipment at that site.

At the May 5th PRCS Commission meeting, in response to the public comment, a consensus was reached to agendaize a discussion regarding the SK Park playground equipment at a future Commission meeting. At the May 11 City Council meeting, a consensus was reached to hold a concurrent meeting with the PRCS Commission at SK Park to hear public comment and discuss the recently installed playground equipment and future plans for the playgrounds at the Park.

Some of the questions raised by the members of the public, the City Council, and the PRCS Commission regarding the playgrounds at SK Park, included, but were not limited to:

- Was adequate public notification given regarding the development and implementation of the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project?
- Why were the traditional-style slide and swings eliminated from the playground?
- Is the new playground safe?
- Why must there be separate equipment and play areas for the 2 – 5 and 5 – 12 age groups?
- What will the City do at SK Park to ensure that there are adequate recreational opportunities for children younger than 5?
- How will the City use the approximately \$61,000 in Proposition A grant funds that were unexpended during the construction of the playground for children ages 5 – 12?

This report attempts to respond to those questions and provides the City Council, the PRCS Commission, and the community with some background information about the process used (including the opportunities for public input) which culminated in the Project. This meeting also provides an opportunity for members of the Neighborhood to provide comments to the City Council and PRCS Commission related to the Project and other playground site in SK Park.

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DISCUSSION:

Some Neighborhood residents expressed concern about the perceived lack of public input in the Project. Additionally, a number of Neighborhood residents also mentioned that they are relatively new arrivals in Culver City (three years or fewer). The following paragraphs will provide some background on the significant process that resulted in the Project.

What was the Process Used which Resulted in the Project?

The process which resulted in the project began “at the 30,000 foot level” in October 2007 when the City undertook a Parks and Recreation Master Plan. In 2008, the City was made aware of \$250,000 in grant funds available from the County of Los Angeles. In, September 2008 the PRCS Commission considered almost 100 public comments and recommended to the City Council a “Park Projects Wish List” which included the Project in SK Park. Later that month, the City Council approved the “Wish List.”

Unfortunately, the City did not receive sufficient funding to construct the Project as part of the 2008 \$250,000 grant. However, in 2012, another grant opportunity presented itself. In October 2012, the PRCS Commission and City Council publically considered authorizing an application for the 2012 grant. The PRCS Commission recommended and the City Council approved the 2012 grant application for the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project.

In March 2013, the City was notified that the 2012 grant was approved specifically for the Project. The City received the fully executed grant agreement in July 2013. After preparing the plans and specifications, in October 2014, the City Council publically approved the plans and specifications and authorized the publication of a Notice Inviting Bids. The plans and specifications were made available on the City’s website for review. In January 2015, the City Council awarded the construction contract. Construction began at the beginning of April 2015, and the grand opening ceremony was held in late April. A more detailed timeline is attached to this report.

Traditional Nature of Public Comments

The public comment opportunities outlined in the Attachment were focused on asking the community to provide new park project ideas and comment on existing recreational facilities and activities. This public process informed staff’s, the PRCS Commission’s and the City Council’s decisions regarding the prioritization of park improvement projects. Additionally, the public is always invited to express views at noticed public meetings on projects that are brought forward for consideration for grant funding opportunities.

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As stated at the May 18th City Council meeting, it is not currently standard practice to involve the community in the detailed design of a park improvement project. The playground, including the placement and type of elements that are to be included in the playground area, is designed during a collaborative process between qualified, experienced City staff and playground design/construction professionals. One exception to this standard practice is the 5 -12 playground at Veterans Memorial Park (VMP) which was funded by a KaBOOM! grant and completed in 2009. Members of the community, including children, met to review and select playground equipment from a limited menu of options as part of the KaBOOM! process. Unfortunately, even though the public was involved in the selection of playground equipment for this project, the City did receive several complaints at the conclusion of the VMP 5 – 12 Playground Project due to the elimination of some favored pieces of equipment at the playground.

Staff Considerations as Part of the SK Park Project

Staff considers a number of important issues when performing rehabilitation projects in the City's parks. First and foremost amongst these is the safety of the children who will use the equipment.

In California, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) guidelines for playground safety have been adopted for all public playgrounds. Title 22 "Safety Regulations for Playgrounds" of the California Code of Regulation provides detailed specifications for the design, installation and maintenance of public playgrounds, referencing compliance with CPSC and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) guidelines as mandatory. Public play areas are also subject to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility guidelines.

As an example of the CPSC guidelines, Attachment 2 is an excerpt from their "Public Playground Safety Handbook" that illustrates the "use zones" that must be built-in to the design of a playground. Use zone requirements are the primary reason that pieces of play equipment cannot be removed or added to a playground design once the playground has been constructed. Interested parties may access the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission Public Playground Safety Handbook at <http://www.cpsc.gov/pagefiles/122149/325.pdf>.

To ensure playgrounds remain a safe place for children to play, per the CPSC guidelines, operators of public playgrounds are required to have an initial inspection of their playgrounds by a Certified Playground Safety Inspector. The Syd Kronenthal Park 5 – 12 Playground was audited by Playground Safety Analysts on April 29, 2015, and the final consultation and compliance review/certification was performed on May 4, 2014. Therefore, the City has complied with all applicable State and Federal guidelines related to playground safety. It remains important to note that in practice,

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playground safety is also related to both the proper use of the playground by the specified age group and appropriate adult supervision.

Age-Appropriate Equipment and Separate Play Areas

The primary reason that age-appropriate equipment and separate play areas are required is to reduce the likelihood that injuries will occur at playgrounds. The California State Safety Guidelines for Playgrounds recommend separate play areas (not combined) for 2 to 5 Age and 5 to 12 Age children. Playgrounds must be designed to take the different developmental stages of childhood into account. For example, from page 3 of the Public Playground Safety Handbook:

“Toddlers, preschool- and school-age children differ dramatically, not only in physical size and ability, but also in their intellectual and social skills. Therefore, age-appropriate playground designs should accommodate these differences with regard to the type, scale, and the layout of equipment.”

“Toddlers” refers to children ages 6 months through 2 years of age, “preschool-age” refers to children 2 through 5 years, and “school-age” refers to children 5 through 12 years. The guidelines state that playground designers should recognize that there may be some overlap between these groups, especially for children at or near the cut-off ages of 2 and 5 years, and take measures to incorporate an appropriate margin of safety into their designs.

The PRCS Department also strives to install the latest state-of-the-art playground equipment that provides children with physically and mentally challenging recreational opportunities fully accessible to those with differing levels of ability (within the specified age-range). For example, the rehabilitated playgrounds at Veterans Memorial Park (2 – 5 and 5 – 12), Culver City Park (2 – 5 and 5 – 12), and Fox Hills Park (2 – 5 and 5 – 12) contain KOMPAN Playground Equipment. The playground at El Marino Park (5 – 12) is by Landscape Structures; their playground equipment is designed on the same principal of mentally and physically challenging play as KOMPAN's.

The KOMPAN Play Institute is an international network that collaborates with researchers and scientists who monitor trends and conduct studies within the health, learning, and social inclusion fields of children's development and play. The research team consults with child development psychologists who provide design input as well. These experts assert that children's 'risk factor' is a key part of their development, physically and mentally, and that children need to test their limits, but at the same time, do so without incurring serious injury when those limits are exceeded.

A key component of the composite structure that was installed at the SK Park 5 – 12 Playground is the linked play element that allows a child to traverse the equipment in

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imaginative ways without ever touching the ground. The inherent value of this equipment lies in the fact that it is not repetitive play that children become quickly bored with, rather it can and does get approached from many different angles to provide challenging while at the same time, different play experiences.

Since the day of the Grand Opening Ceremony, staff has periodically monitored playground activity and consistently observed that the new equipment it is very popular with children ages 5 – 12. This demonstrates that the Playground meets the community need for challenging play that the Project was designed to fulfill. Staff has received numerous positive comments regarding the new play equipment, including this comment made by an Echo Horizons kindergarten teacher who stated that, “This equipment is great for my kindergarten children (ages 5 to 6) because it teaches them to ‘critically think.’”

KOMPAN does offer slides and swings that resemble the classic playground elements. However, the slides are recommended for the 2 – 5 age group and the swings are recommended for the 2 – 12 age group. All of the new equipment installed at the playground is specifically designed for the 5 – 12 age group. Staff is of the opinion that these types of traditional-style slides and swings are more appropriately located in the 2 – 5 playground.

Neighborhood Residents’ Concerns

While staff hopes the above information will help the neighborhood residents understand that the Project was not designed without opportunities for public input and with safety considerations first and foremost amongst the factors used while staff prepared the plans and specifications for the Project, we acknowledge the concerns voiced to the PRCS Commissioners and the City Council Members. This meeting is an opportunity for the Neighborhood to provide additional input.

Staff will provide meeting participants with alternative 2 – 5 Age playground conceptual designs to review. They will be asked to rate the designs as to their first and second preference. Staff, the PRCS Commission, and the City Council will then use the tabulated results, along with all public comment related to this topic, to inform their decisions regarding the playgrounds at SK Park.

As noted at the May 18th City Council meeting, the City is eligible to submit a request to the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District to use the approximately \$61,000 in unexpended Proposition A grant funds from the 5 – 12 Playground Rehabilitation Project to further develop the playgrounds at SK Park. Staff will submit the necessary documents to the County as soon as the final decisions have been made by the PRCS Commission and the City Council regarding the preferred use of these funds.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the discussion of this Agenda Item. Information regarding the estimated cost to construct the 2 – 5 age group playgrounds illustrated by the conceptual designs that are to be presented at the meeting was not available at the time of the publication of this report.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Background Information Related to the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project (PZ831).
2. Excerpt from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission “Public Playground Safety Handbook” on the topic of “Use Zones”

MOTION:

That the City Council and PRCS Commission:

- (1) Discuss the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project (Project); and,
- (2) Solicit comments from the Syd Kronenthal Park/Culver City East Neighborhood related to the Project and the other playground site in Syd Kronenthal Park.

MEETING DATE: June 2, 2015

AGENDA ITEM: Discussion of The Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project and (2) Solicitation of Comments from the Syd Kronenthal Park/Culver City East Neighborhood Related to the Project and the Other Playground Site in Syd Kronenthal Park.

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2. Excerpt from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission "Public Playground Safety Handbook" on the topic of "Use Zones."	5

Background Information Related to the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project

Date	Description
October 2007	As part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan process, extensive public outreach began in order to collect and analyze public comment regarding Culver City's parks, facilities and recreational opportunities. The two-year process involved three public workshops, a telephone survey, two focus groups, three Veterans Memorial Park conceptual plan workshops and an independent park-user survey performed by staff.
January 2008	Mayor Alan Corlin was informed by the Office of Los Angeles County Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke that Culver City had been awarded a Los Angeles County Proposition A grant in the amount of \$250,000 for eligible parks projects.
February 2008	The Facility Assessment and Deferred Maintenance Plan Element of the Master Plan was distributed to the members of the Parks and Recreation Commission and the City Council. Staff used this document as a template to create an in-house Deferred Maintenance List that is updated several times a year to reflect the ever-changing condition of the City's parks and facilities.
March 4, 2008	Project possibilities for the use of the Proposition A funds and staff's recommendations were presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission at their monthly meeting. The Commission requested that staff conduct comprehensive public outreach to get the community's input regarding park project priorities and come back with their suggestions.
April 1, 2008	After considering fifty-seven (57) public comments on the topic, the Commission recommended that the funds be used primarily to update the playground at Culver City Park. The list of suggestions for parks projects made by the public is kept for future reference.
April 21, 2008	At a public meeting, the City Council also heard public comment on the issue and adopted a Resolution approving a grant application for \$250,000 in Los Angeles County Proposition A Excess Funds for the playground rehabilitation at Culver City Park.
September 9, 2008	The City Manager's Office received letter from the Office of then Los Angeles County Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke inviting the City to submit a "Call for projects" Wish-List of potential Proposition A compliant city park-related projects by September 30, 2008.
Week of September 15, 2008	The Chair of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) Commission received consensus to hold a Special Meeting on September 19, 2008 to give the public and the Commission an opportunity to make Wish-List recommendations.
September 17 - 19, 2008	City staff solicited public comment regarding preferred Wish-List projects to present at the Commission's September 19, 2008 Special Meeting.
September 19, 2008	At a Special Meeting, the PRCS Commission considered forty-one (41) newly submitted public comments on the topic and reviewed the list of suggestions that had been made by the fifty-seven (57) members of the public in April. The Commission took action to recommend the following Park Project Wish-List to the City Council (in priority order): (1) Fox Hills Park Playground Rehabilitation; (2) Veterans Memorial Park Playground Improvements; (3) Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation ; and (4) Bill Botts (Little League) Field Improvements.

Background Information Related to the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project

Date	Description
September 22, 2008	The City Council approved the Commission's Park Project Wish-List as proposed at the September 19, 2008 Commission meeting (the Commission's Wish-List was submitted as a separate Memo and distributed at the meeting).
October 27, 2008	The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved funding for only two (2) Wish-List projects, Veterans' Memorial Park Playground Improvements (partially funded); and Bill Botts (Little League) Field Improvement. The proposed playground projects at Fox Hills and Syd Kronenthal Parks remain unfunded.
December 2008 through October 2009	The Prop 40 matching funds for the Veterans Park and Bill Botts Projects become unavailable due to the State Budget crisis so certain elements of the Projects had to be postponed pending release of the funds.
May 5, 2009	PRCS Commission conducted its final review of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
June 2009	A Certified Playground Safety Audit of all City playgrounds was completed that identified the following playgrounds as next in line for replacement (in priority order): (5) Blair Hills Park 2 - 5 and 5 - 12; (6) Lindberg Park 2 - 5 and 5 - 12; (7) El Marino 2 - 5; and, (8) Tellefson Park 5 - 12.
July 31, 2009	The results of the Certified Playground Safety Audit were conveyed to the PRCS Commission during their Annual Culver City Parks and Facilities Tour (a noticed public meeting). In successive years, verbal updates regarding the conditions of the playgrounds are given to Park Tour participants.
September 2009	A CD of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan was distributed to the members of the City Council. The Master Plan is currently posted on the City's website in the "Highlights" section of the PRCS Homepage.
December 2009	The Veterans Memorial Park Playground for Children Ages 5 - 12 was constructed with Prop A funds and a KaBOOM! grant (the first element of #2 on the City Council approved Park Project Wish-List)..
November 2010	The Notice of Completion was filed for Bill Botts (Little League) Field Leveling Project (#4 on the City Council approved Park Project Wish-List).
March 2011	The Notice of Completion was filed for the Veterans Memorial Park Playground for Children Ages 2 - 5 (the final element of #2 on the City Council approved Park Project Wish-List).
June 2011	The City Council approved Park Facilities (Quimby) Funds and Capital Improvement and Acquisition (General) Funds for the Fox Hills Park Playground Rehabilitation Project (#1 on the City Council approved Park Project Wish-List).
September 2012	The Notice of Completion was filed for the Culver City Park Playground, which contains separate play areas for Children Ages 2 - 5 and Ages 5 - 12.

Background Information Related to the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project

Date	Description
October 2, 2012	The following Agenda Item was publically noticed and discussed by the PRCS Commission: "Consideration of a Recommendation to the City Council to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Proposal/Application for Grant Funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District Excess Funds Grant Program in the Amount of \$250,000 for the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project ." The Commission was informed that SK Park was being recommended by staff because the other top three Projects on the September 28, 2008 City Council approved Park Project Wish-List were either completed or had received other funding. Staff also reported that no City matching funds were available to enhance the Project. The PRCS Commission supported staff's recommendation.
October 22, 2012	The following Agenda Item was publically noticed and discussed by the City Council: "1) Adoption of a Resolution Approving the Application for Grant Funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District Excess Funds Grant Program in the Amount of \$250,000 for the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project ; and, 2) Approval of a Budget Amendment to Appropriate the Funding for this Project Upon Receipt of the Fully Executed Grant Agreement." The City Council was informed that the PRCS Commission had voted in favor of recommending the SK Park Project for funding. Staff also reported that the existing Tot Lot at SK Park was not included in the Project.
November 2012	Culver City Green Space Plan was completed. The Plan was informed by extensive public outreach performed in 2011 and 2012, including the collection and analysis of 702 surveys, three community meetings, and input from the Green Space Plan Advisory Committee. In the Plan, the rehabilitation of the SK Park 5 - 12 Playground is identified as an unmet community need and an opportunity for the improvement of the City's park system.
December 2012 through October 2013	During this time period, two major Parks Work Plan projects took place simultaneously: (1) ET Based Central Controllers Upgrade Project - The City was under a State mandated deadline to comply with AB-1881, the Model Water Efficiency Landscape Ordinance, to upgrade and/or replace all irrigation controllers in the City's existing Calsense Central Controller system to ET Based Central Controllers. (2) PAR Course Equipment Replacement Project - All of the outdated and defective PAR course exercise equipment throughout the City was replaced as part of an on going project. The planning for this Project began in 2010 and it was implemented during this period at: Fox Hills Park, Veterans Park, Lindberg Park, and Blanco Park.
November 2013	The Notice of Completion was filed for Fox Hill Park Playground Rehabilitation Project (#1 on the City Council approved Park Project Wish-List).
March 2013	The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved Proposition A Cities Excess Funds in the amount of \$250,000 for the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project .
April 2013	Parks Division Associate Landscape Architect position was vacated and remains unfilled throughout the next year. This consultant's duties include creating Parks projects bid documents, such as plans and specifications, and managing Parks projects as directed by the Parks Manager.
July 2013	The fully-executed Proposition A Grant Agreement for the SK Park Playground Project was received.

Background Information Related to the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project

Date	Description
March 2014	A Parks Division Associate Landscape Architect is contracted and immediately begins assisting the Parks Manager with the following projects, among others (not necessarily in chronological order): Senior Center Courtyard Conceptual Design; Studio Estates Landscaping; Culver City Park Hillside Fire Abatement; Fox Hills Park Shade Structure and Culver City Senior Center Boulder Installation.
October 13, 2014	The following Agenda Item was publically noticed and discussed by the City Council: "Approval of Final Plans and Specifications and Authorization to Publish a Notice Inviting Bids for the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project , PZ-831." The plans and specifications and a rendering of the playground were posted on the City's website for viewing by all interested parties.
October 13, 2014	The following Agenda Item was publically noticed and discussed by the City Council: "Adoption of a Youth Employment Plan for the Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project , PZ-831."
January 12, 2015	The following Agenda Item was publically noticed and discussed by the City Council: "Award of a Contract to R.E. Schultz Construction Services, as the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, in the Amount Not-To-Exceed \$207,888.00 (\$173,240.00 Bid Plus \$34,648.00 in Change Order Authority) for the Construction of the Syd Kronenthal Park Rehabilitation Playground Project , PZ-831."
April 1, 2015	Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project construction began.
April 30, 2015	Syd Kronenthal Park Playground Rehabilitation Project Grand Opening Ceremony was held.

- The use zone should extend a minimum of 6 feet from the perimeter of the supporting structure. This 6-foot zone may overlap that of an adjacent swing structure or other playground equipment structure.

5.3.8.5 Protrusions on suspended members of swing assemblies

Protrusions on swings are extremely hazardous because of the potential for impact incidents. Nothing, including bolts or other parts, on the front, back, or underside of a swing should stick out more than 1/8 of an inch. See test procedures in Appendix B.

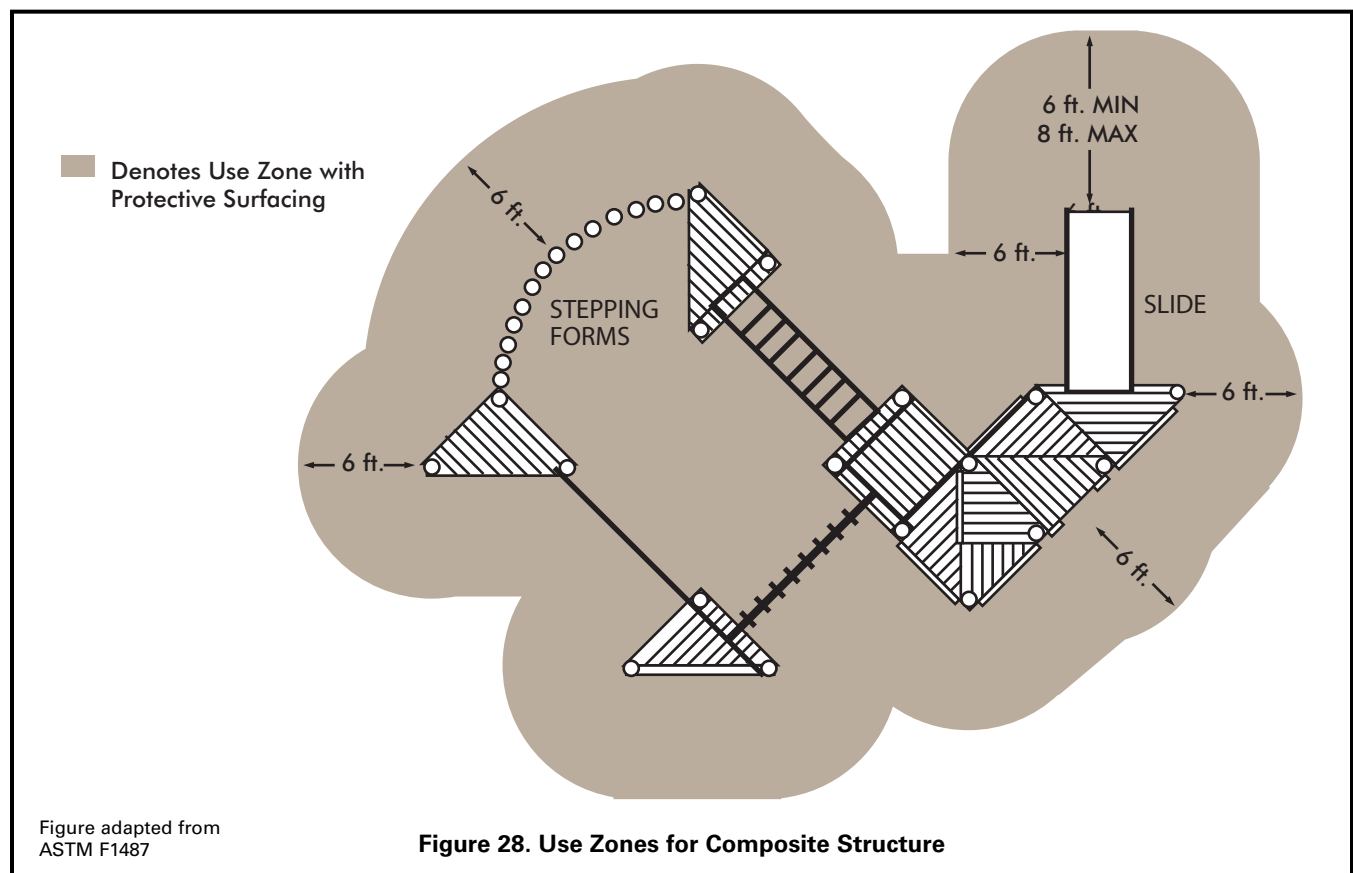
5.3.9 Fall height and use zones for composite structure

When two or more complementary play components are linked together in a composite structure (e.g., combination climber, slide, and horizontal ladder), the use zone should extend a minimum of 6 feet from the external perimeter of the structure (see Figure 28). Where slides are attached to a platform higher than 6 feet from the protective surfacing, the use zone may need to extend further in front of the slide (see §5.3.6.5).

5.3.10 Fall height and use zones not specified elsewhere

Most playground equipment belongs in one of the categories listed above. If it does not, the following general recommendations should be applied:

- The fall height of a piece of playground equipment is the distance between the highest designated playing surface and the protective surface beneath it.
- The use zone should extend a minimum of 6 feet in all directions from the perimeter of the equipment.
- The use zones of two stationary pieces of playground equipment that are positioned adjacent to one another may overlap if the adjacent designated play surfaces of each structure are no more than 30 inches above the protective surface and the equipment is at least 6 feet apart.
- If adjacent designated play surfaces on either structure exceed a height of 30 inches, the minimum distance between the structures should be 9 feet.
- Use zones should be free of obstacles.



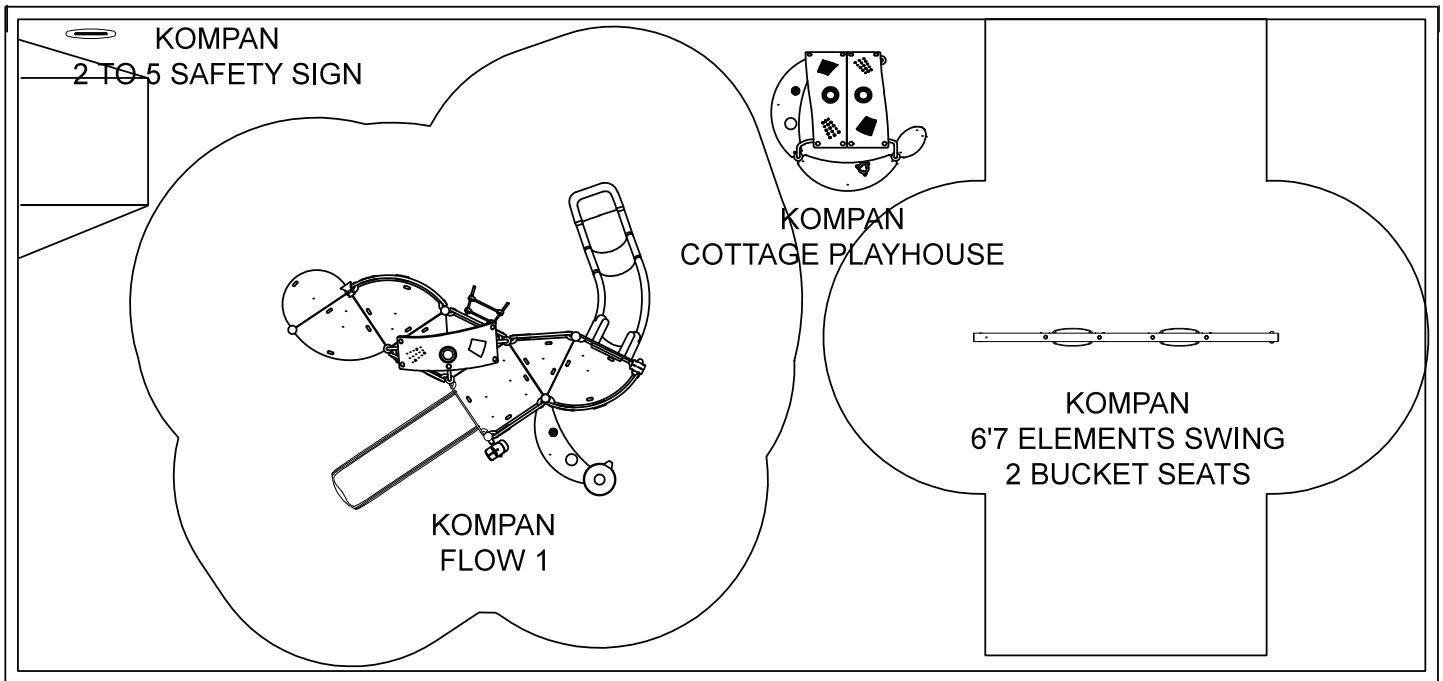


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PLAYHOUSE



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FLOW 1

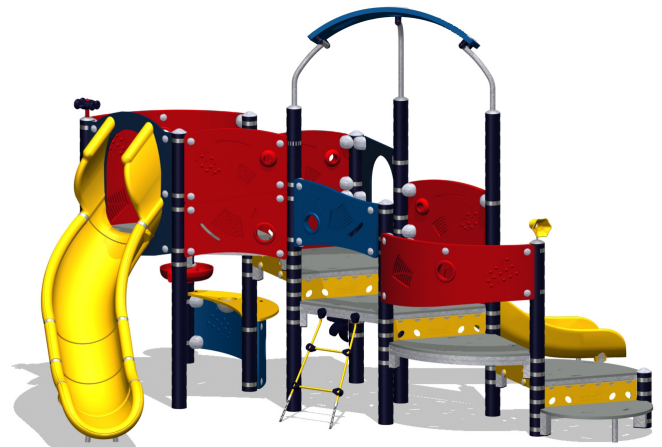


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6'7 ELEMENTS SWING
2 BUCKET SEATS

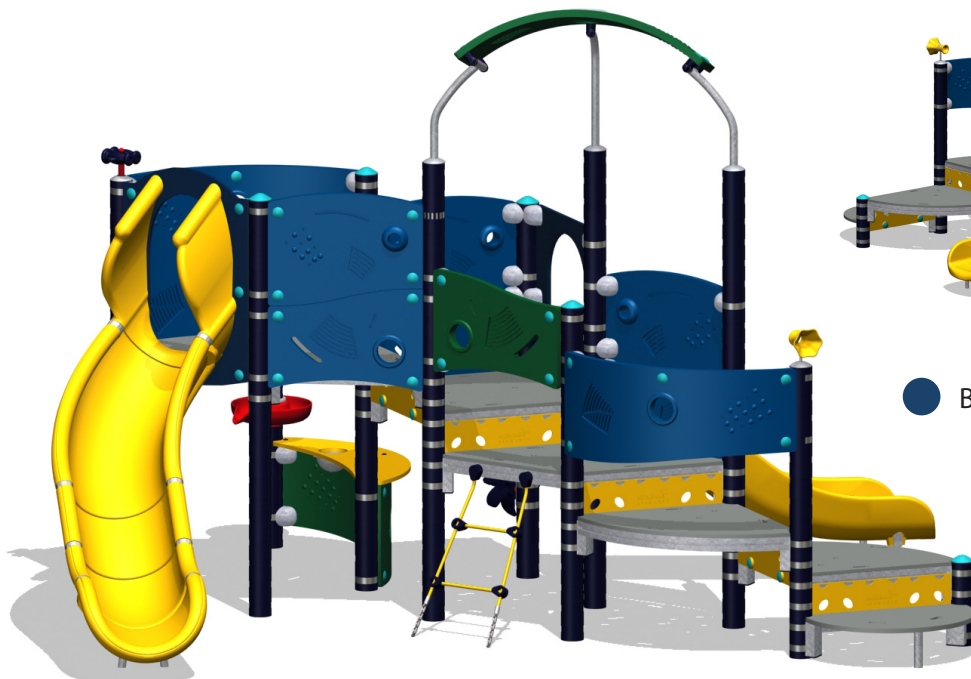




Green



Red



Blue



DESIGN CONCEPT "A"



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KOMPAN Product Info

Single Bay Swing 6'-7" • KSW91013



Best User Age: 2-5 years

This Product is available only in the in-ground version.

Technical information available at kompan.com

ADA ANALYSIS

Elevated Activities: **0**

Accessible Elevated Activities

Accessible Ground Level Activities

Accessible Ground Level Play Types

Present

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Required

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MOMENTS

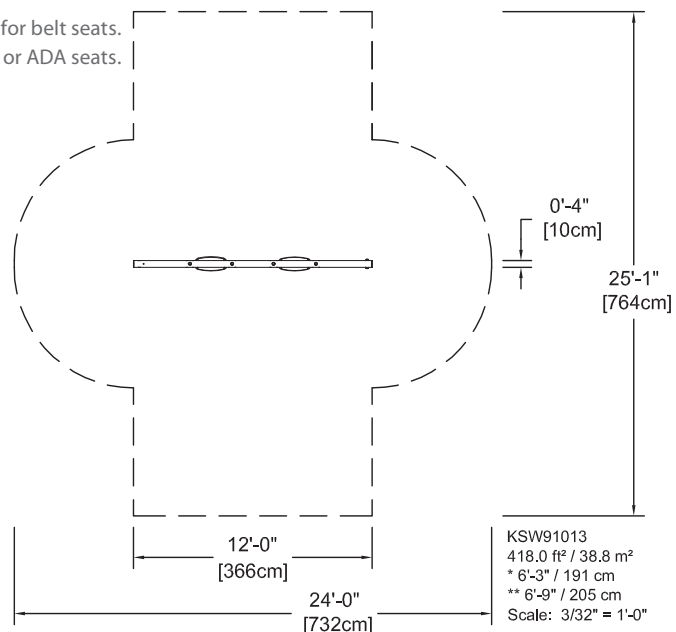


Available infant seat



Available ADA seat

Use zones shown for belt seats.
Also available with infant or ADA seats.



To verify product certification, visit ipema.org

* = Highest designated play surface.

** = Total height of product.

Highest designated play surface and space required are according to ASTM 1487.

Equipment must be installed over resilient surfacing appropriate to the safety guidelines in your area.

Product development is an ongoing process. We reserve the right to make modifications on all our products. This product may not be mirrored, scaled or altered in any way. Safety zones must be retained for proper placement of equipment. If any changes are required, please contact your KOMPAN representative at 1.800.426.9788.

DESIGN CONCEPT "B"

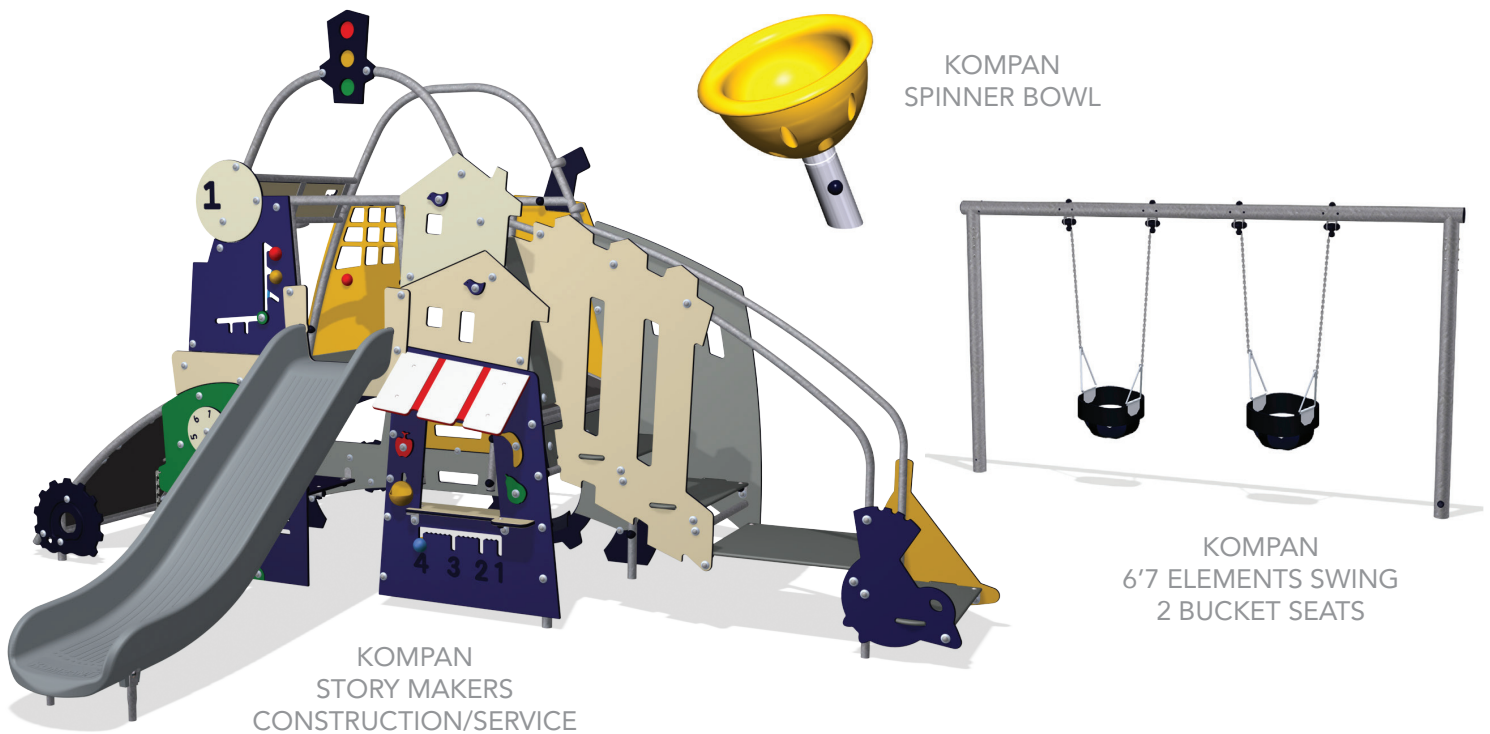
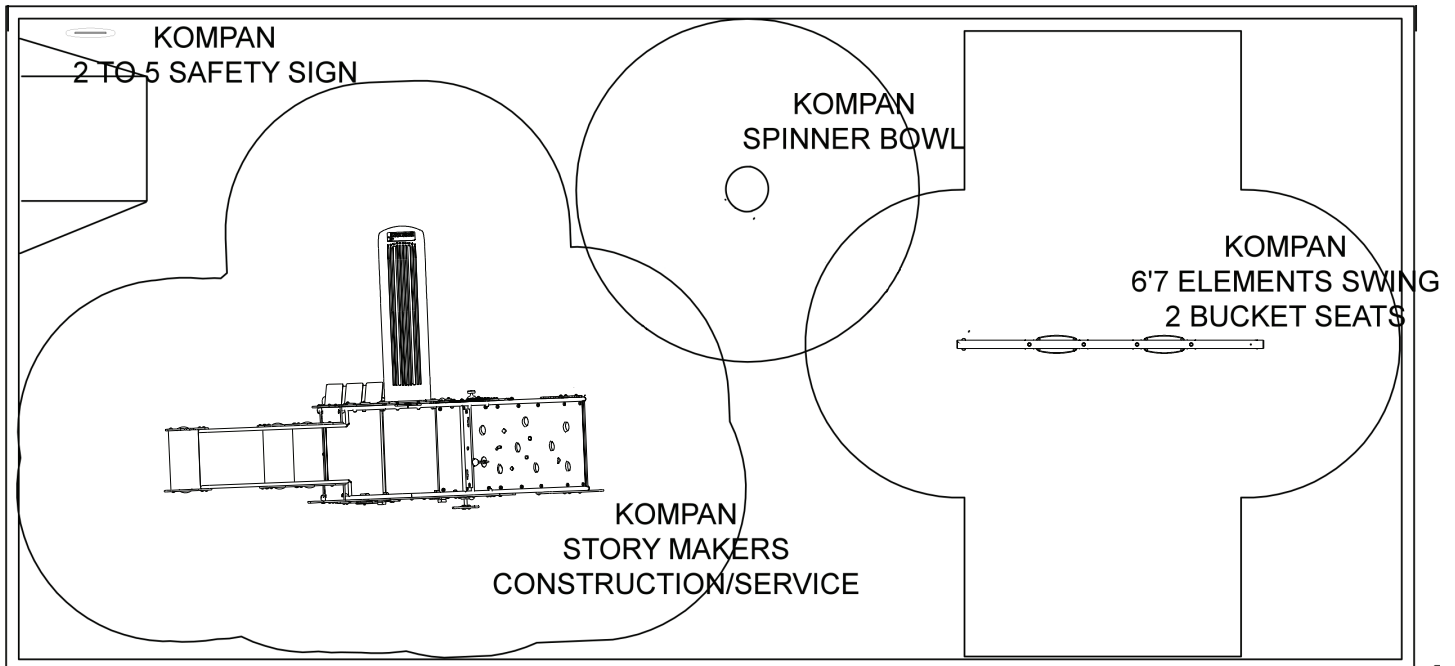


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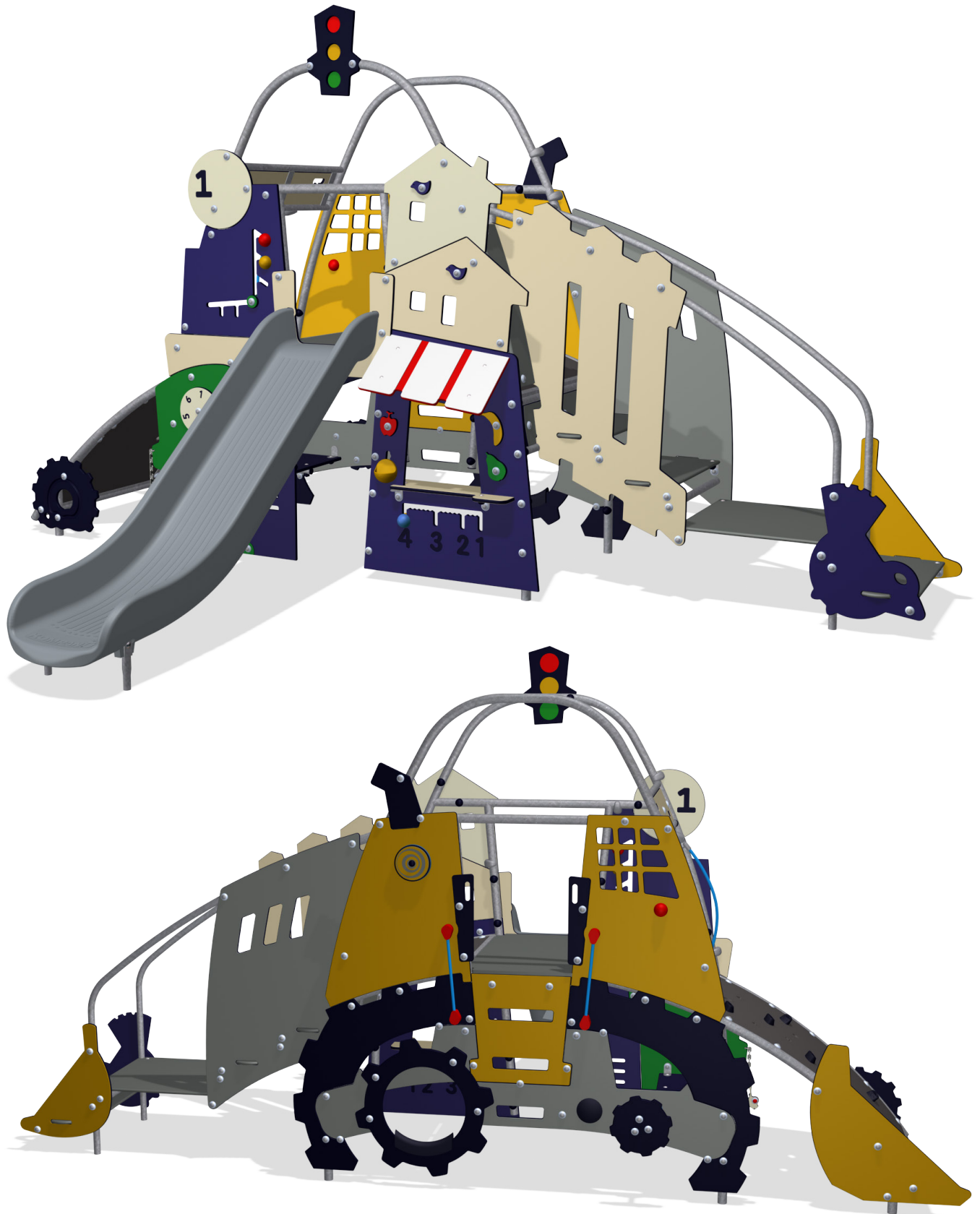
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DESIGN CONCEPT "B"

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Spinner Bowl • ELE400024



Best User Age: 4–12 years

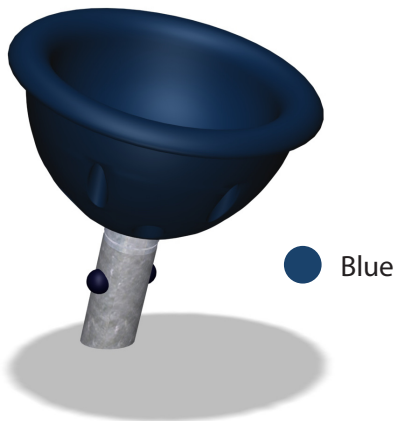
Footing Information: In-ground posts.
Surface installation also available.

Technical information available at kompaninfo.com

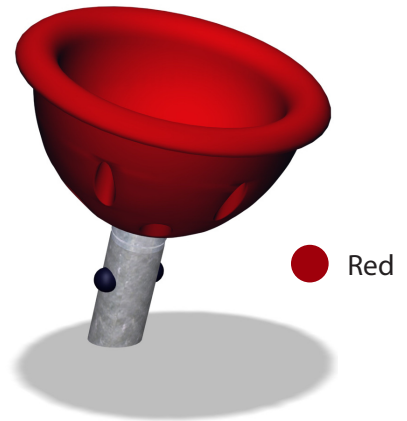
ADA ANALYSIS

Elevated Activities: 0	Accessible Elevated Activities	Accessible Ground Level Activities	Accessible Ground Level Play Types
Present	0	1	1
Required	0	1	1

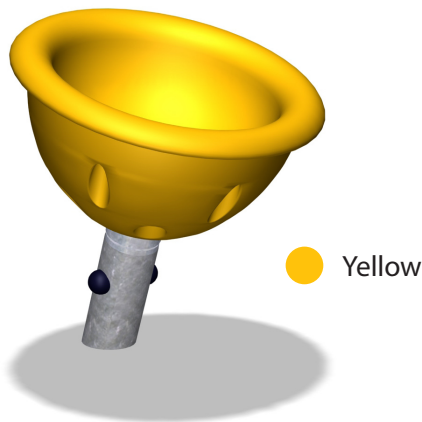
ELEMENTS



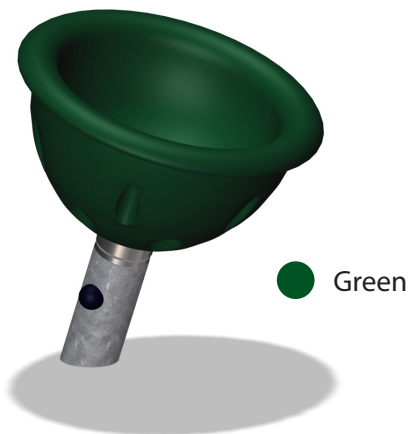
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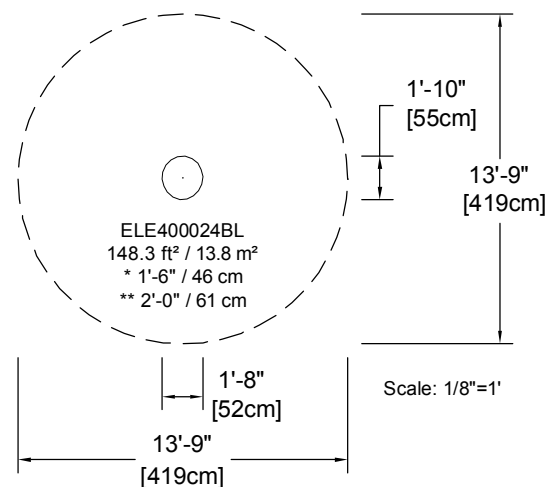
Red



Yellow



Green



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* = Highest designated play surface.

** = Total height of product.

Highest designated play surface and space required are according to ASTM 1487.

Equipment must be installed over resilient surfacing appropriate to the safety guidelines in your area.

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DESIGN CONCEPT "B"

KOMPAN Product Info

Single Bay Swing 6'-7" • KSW91013



Best User Age: 2-5 years

This Product is available only in the in-ground version.

Technical information available at kompan.com

ADA ANALYSIS

Elevated Activities: **0**
Present
Required

Accessible Elevated Activities
0
0

Accessible Ground Level Activities
1
1

Accessible Ground Level Play Types
1
1

MOMENTS

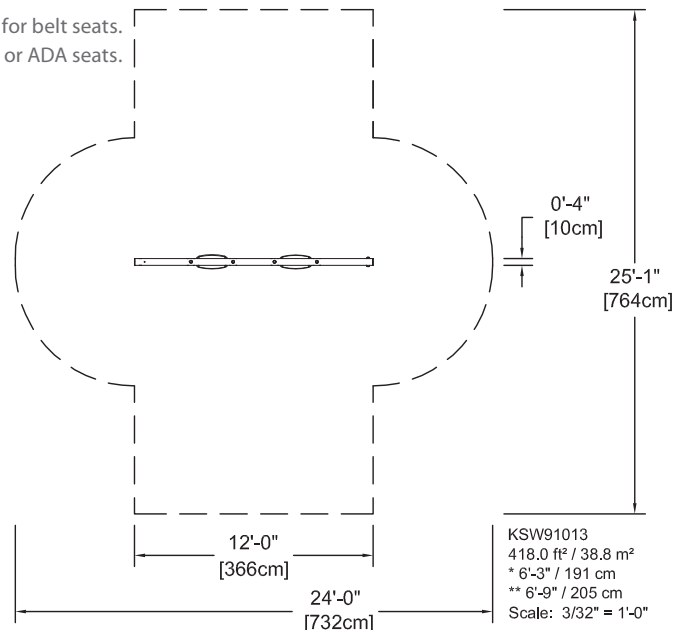


Available infant seat



Available ADA seat

Use zones shown for belt seats.
Also available with infant or ADA seats.



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DESIGN CONCEPT "C"

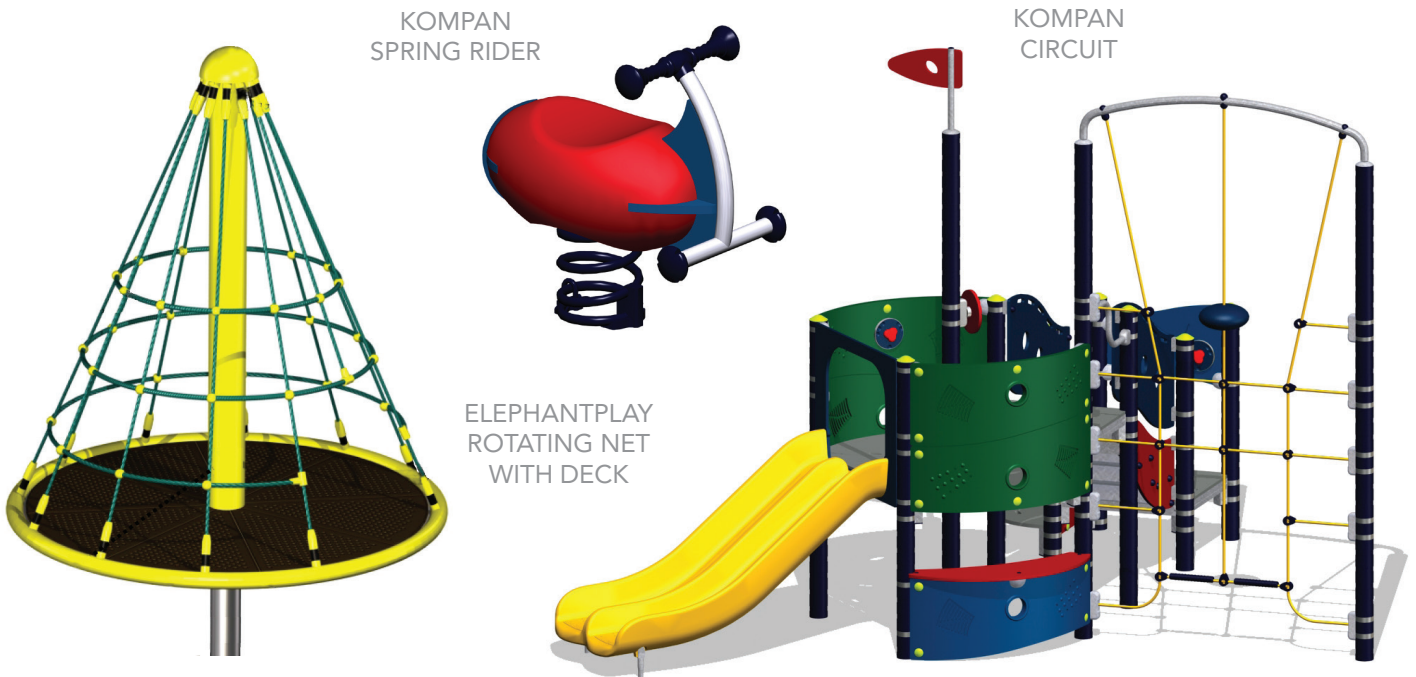
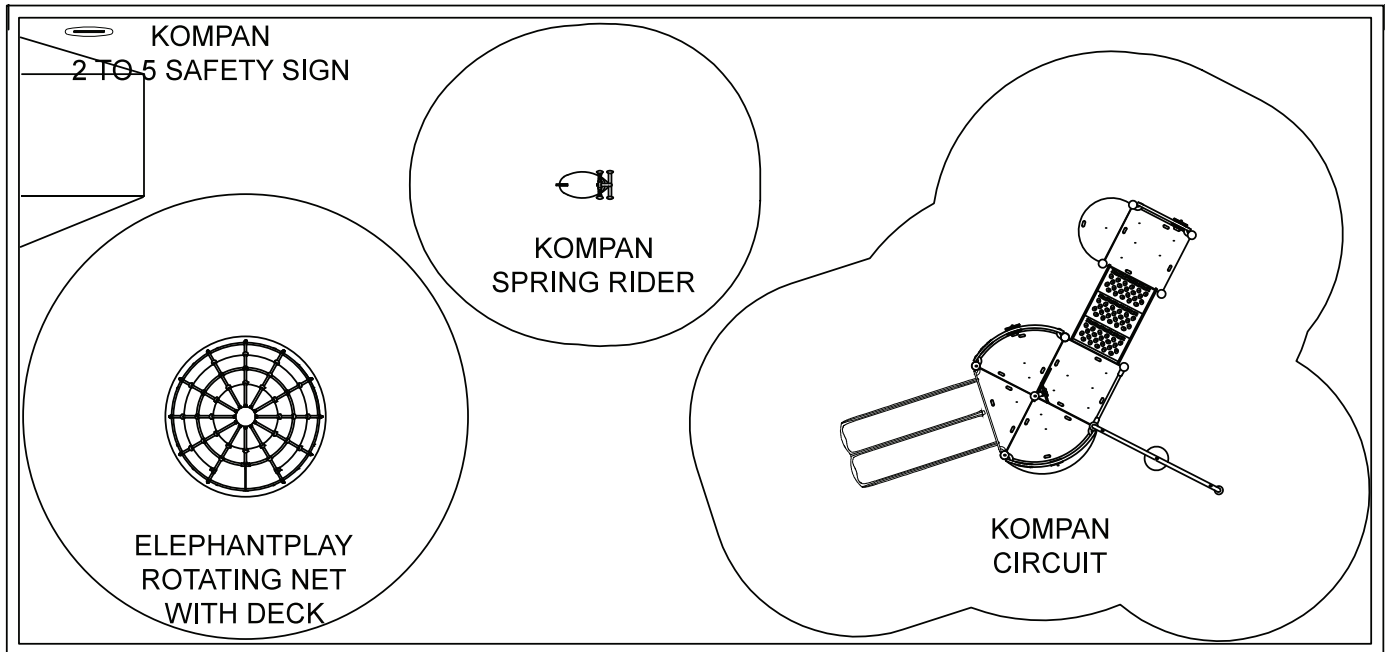


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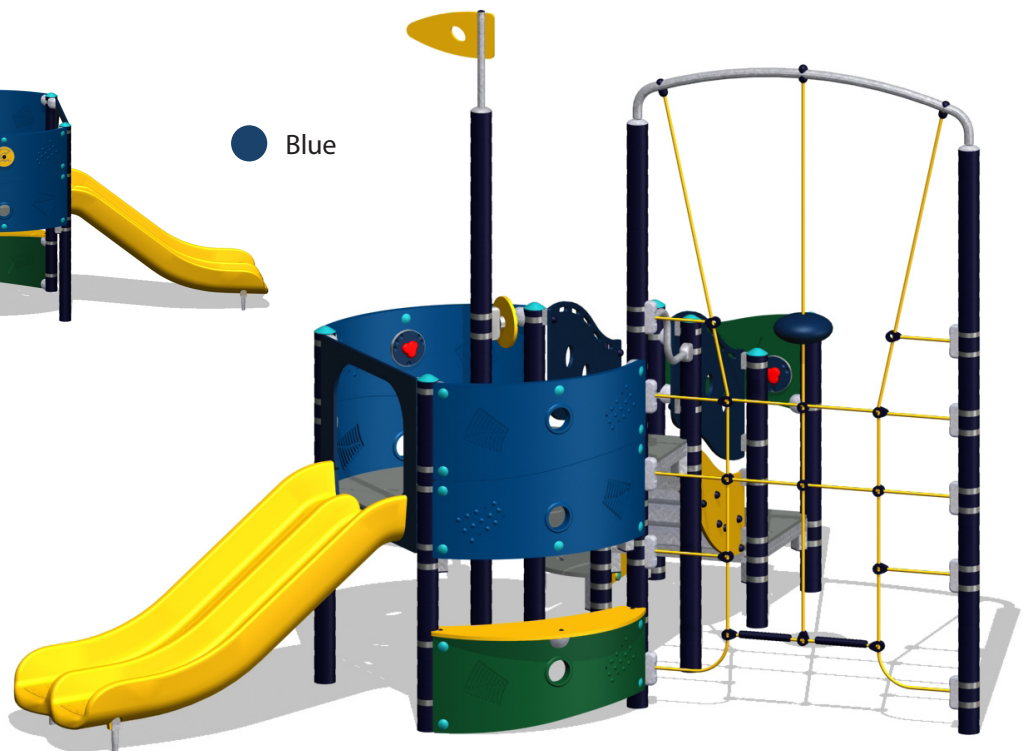
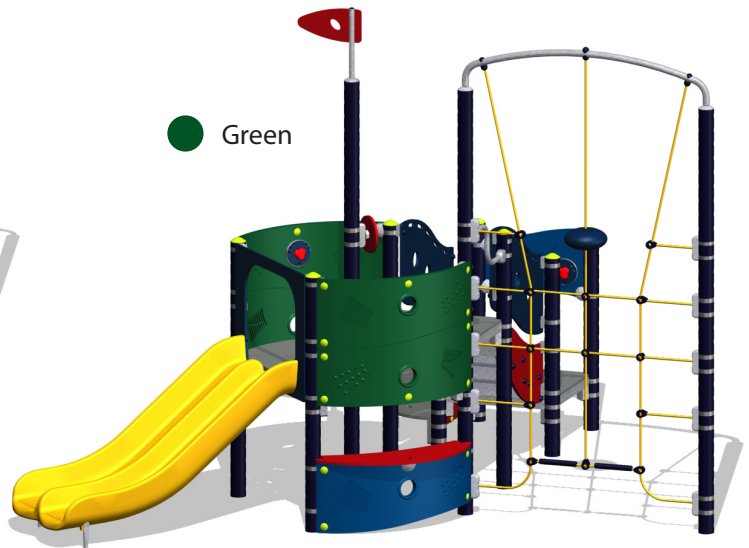
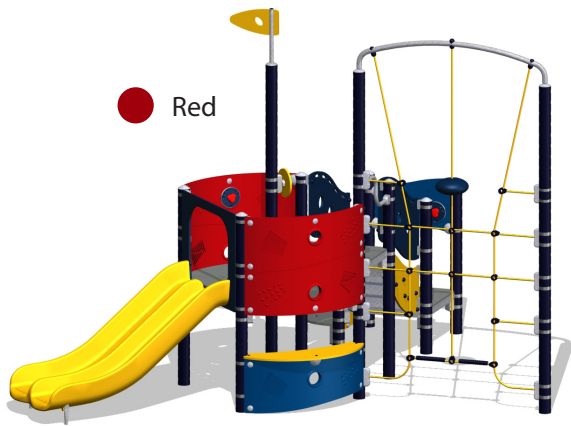
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DESIGN CONCEPT "C"

KOMPAN Product Info

Racer • ELE400002



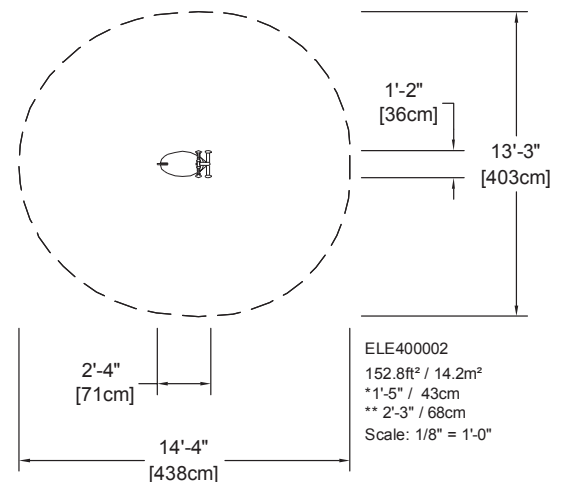
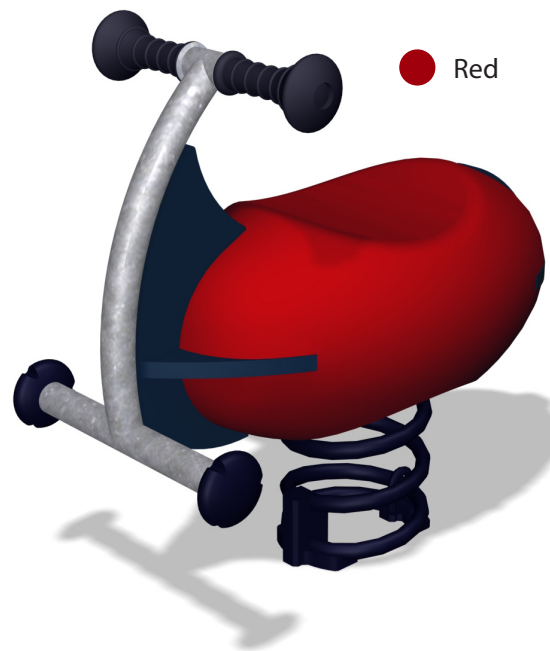
Best User Age: 2–5 years

Footing Information: In-ground posts.
Surface installation also available.

Technical information available at kompaninfo.com

ADA ANALYSIS	Elevated Activities: 0	Accessible Elevated Activities	Accessible Ground Level Activities	Accessible Ground Level Play Types
	Present	0	1	1
	Required	0	1	1

ELEMENTS



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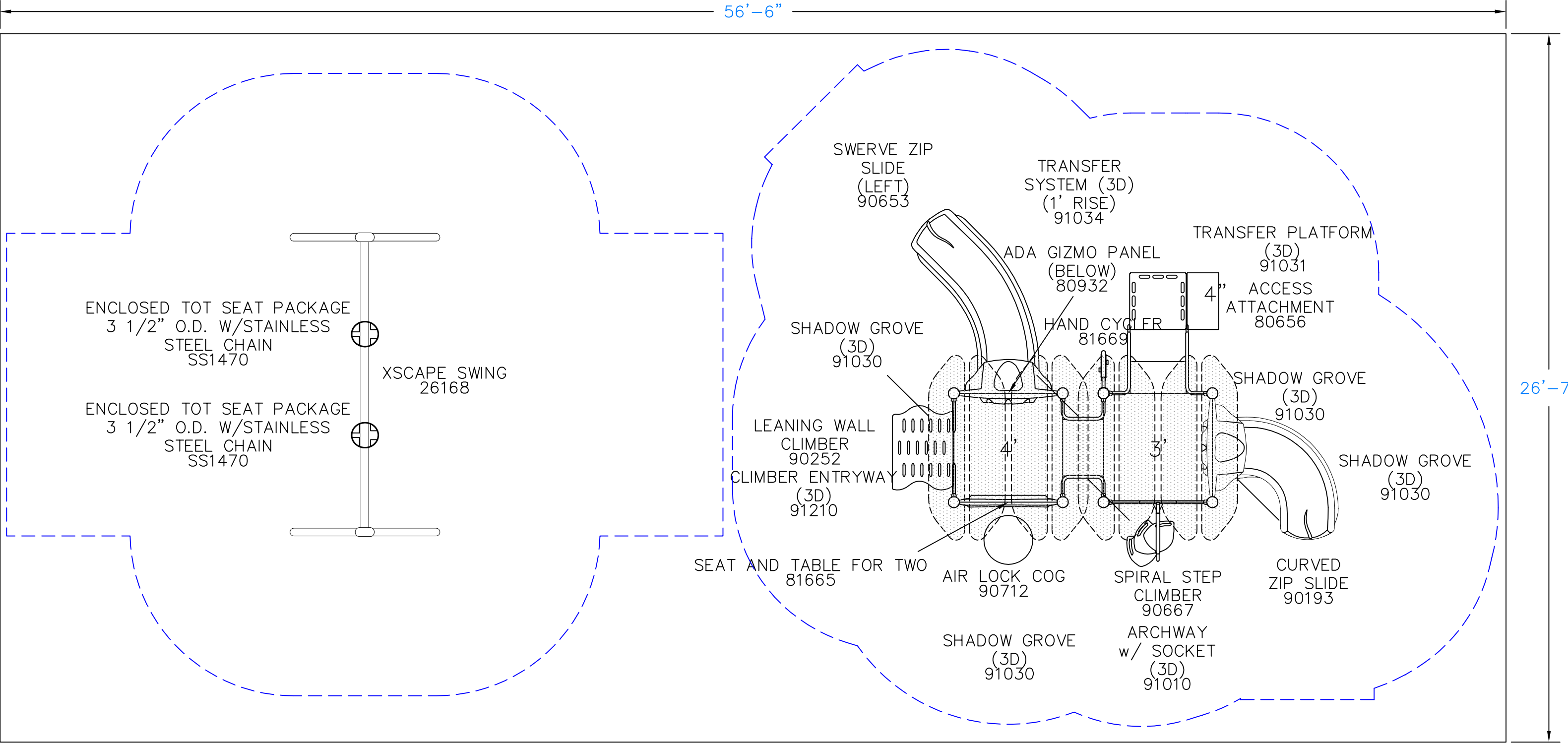
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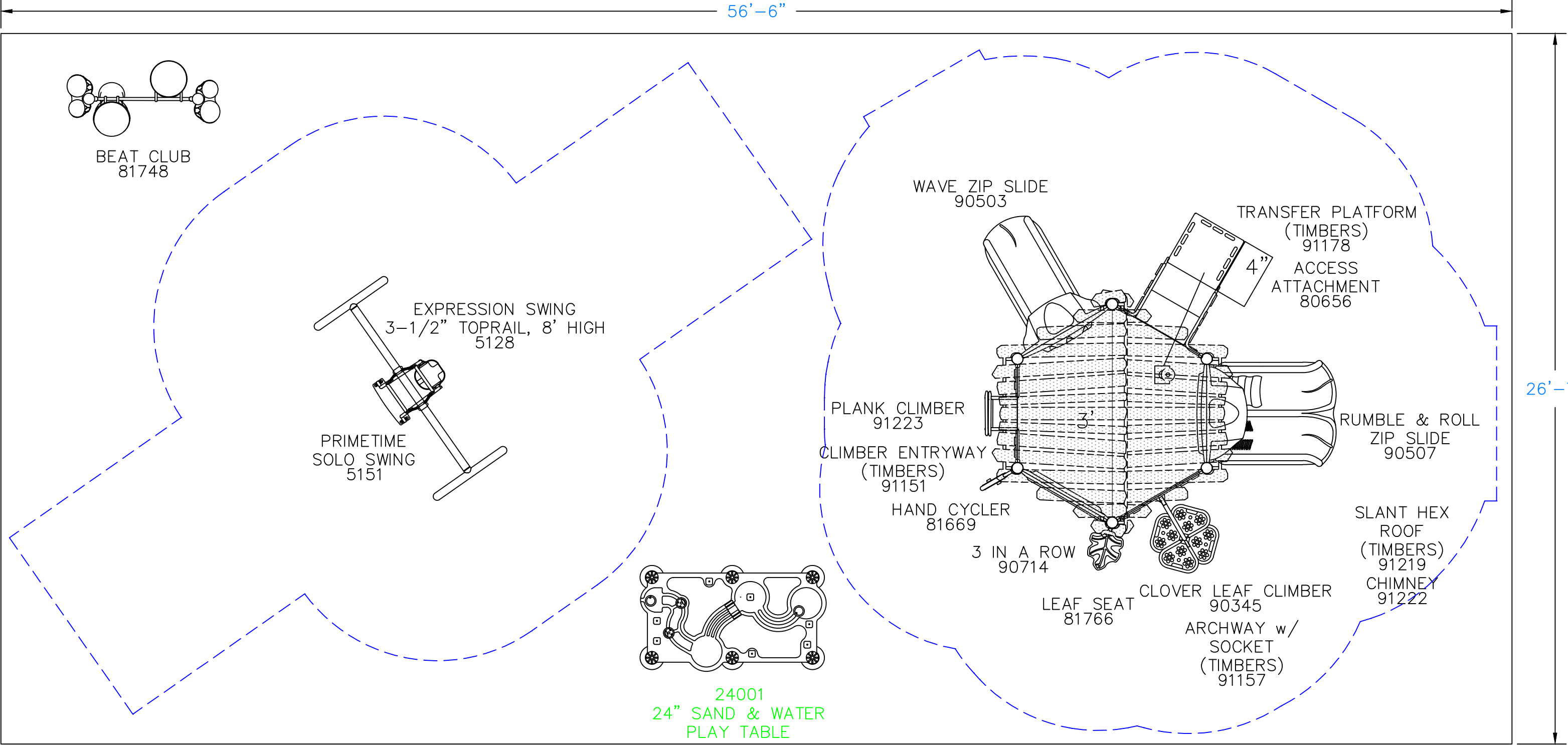
Syd Kronenthal Park 2-5 Play Area Option 1







Syd Kronenthal Park 2-5 Play Area Option 2



June 2, 2015 Design Selections from the Yellow Comment Cards

Design Option	Number of times this Design was selected as the Number 1 Design Choice	Number of times this Design was selected as the Number 2 Design Choice
A	8	1
B	5	7
C	3	1
D	7	2
E	3	3
Total Votes Cast:	26	14

Total Number of Cards = 27

1 person did not vote for any of the Design Options but made comments.

12 people who voted for a #1 Design Option did not vote for a #2 Design Option.

June 2, 2015 Comments from the Yellow Comment Cards

Card No.	1st Choice	2nd Choice	Comments
1	D	None.	The 5 - 12 playground is not appropriate for all ages in this age range. Please make sure you adjust plans for any other parks in Culver City getting a revamped playground. No slides! No swings!
2	C	None.	Please use the additional money to be focused on the younger ones. The playground company needs to pay the additional money.
3	A	None.	None.
4	A	None.	Sand. Tall slide. Swings. No spinners from 2 - 4 kids don't have coordination it's dangerous.
5	A	None.	I was with kids and missed my chance to speak. But around the end of the spoken comment, someone mentioned liking the space to be open & not fenced in. It is SUCH A RELIEF to take a "pre-rational" toddler somewhere they can't wander into danger - especially if watching multiple kids. I often see requests on Peachhead, the big local parents list, for enclosed playgrounds. I LIKE the enclosure. The things we miss most are the tall slide w/ climbing structure, swings, and <u>SAND</u> . Sometimes my daughter would play <u>only</u> in the sand and go home happy.
6	E	B	None.
7	A	B	None.
8	A	None.	It is very important to provide the younger children with traditional swings & safety swings.
9	A	B	I like the concept that has both a bucket swing and traditional swings.
10	A	D	Need at least one bucket swing + one regular swing. *More than 2 swings would be better. That is where we often get "lines." I like the spring rider but not the rotating net with deck. (in option C) Closing the toddler side during the day AT ALL is unacceptable. Especially at nonstandard times. Re: Wood chips vs. sand - many opportunities for development are lost with wood. Shade structure is NOT as important.
11	B	None.	Swings & sandbox!
12	None.	None.	I do not like any of these designs because it allocates a tiny space to toddlers and excludes them from the larger play yard. I disagree that there should be such a huge separation between ages. Ideal park to see is Glen Alla Park, Stoner Park and Tongva Park. Older kids play side by side w/ toddlers. We miss the sand! Small kids spend hours playing in the sand. Wood chips hurt our kids' feet! I think the unsafe equipment in the large yard (older kids have gotten hurt) should be removed and replaced by toddler appropriate equipment. I like the block captain idea!!
13	D	None.	Design D with infant swing, a toddler swing and a toddler bench.
14	E	D	There should be mixed swings. 1 normal swing 1 baby infant swing

June 2, 2015 Comments from the Yellow Comment Cards

Card No.	1st Choice	2nd Choice	Comments
15	D	E	Design D with infant style swing sets. Thank you for updating the playground!
16	D	E	None.
17	D	A	None.
18	D	B	None.
19	B	E	The playground that you put in, how are the children going to play on it when it get(s) hot(?) Children need swings and slides.
20	C	A	Main structure have more imaginary play.
21	A	B	Design A with conventional swings. Want equipment that doesn't exclude one of age groups. Would like (undecipherable word) + bucket swings. Think the spinner bowls are useless. Need to accommodate all age groups, toddler and pre-school set, 6 months - 2 years; 2 - 5 years.
22	C	B	I love the double swing on E!
23	B	C	The new playground equipment is really nice, but more age appropriate playground for little ones, would be great.
24	B	None.	Please include standard swing sets.
25	B	None.	There is quite a bit of wasted space in the redesigned big playground. The swing set that was there prior to be (the) redesign should be replaced so there are swings for both age groups. In addition, the children miss the tactile lessons learned from the sand, which should be replaced or at least a sandbox.
26	E	B	Opportunity for kids to learn and be challenged cognitively & physically. Meet needs of toddlers and preschoolers. Use more of the space - tables, music, shape/object recognition. Double slides - kids enjoy racing down them. Keep fencing - safety for toddlers, they do not know to stay off the street. Moms Club Communication: president@culvercityeastmomsclub.org
27	D	None.	Design D with the right swings.

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PLAYGROUND FOR
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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A _____

Design B _____

Design C _____

Design D X

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

1.
The 5-17
playground
designs NOT
appropriate
for all ages
in this age
range. Please
make sure you
adjust plans
for any other
parks in Culver
City getting a
revamped playground
(more space for comments on back)
No slides! No
swing!

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OF THE
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Design A _____

Design B _____

Design C /

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

2.
Side A.
Front

(more space for comments on back)

Prefer Design Concept "A" 3.

(Note: We ran out of yellow cards &
Patti gave a member of the public this one)



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2.
Back
Parks
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Please turn this card over to rate the playground designs.

Additional space for comments (optional):

please use the additional
money to be focused
on the game ones.

Is the playground company
needs to pay the additional money

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- Design A ☒
- Design B ☐
- Design C ☐
- Design D ☐
- Design E ☐

Comments (optional):

SAND

TALL SLIDE

SWINGS

NO SPINNERS

FROM 2-4

- KIDS RANT

HAVE Coordination

+ dangerous

(more space for comments on back)

4.

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- Design A ☒
- Design B ☐
- Design C ☐
- Design D ☐
- Design E ☐

BEATRIX

Comments (optional):

I was with kids & missed

my chance to speak.

But @ the end of the

spoken comment, someone

mentioned liking the space

to be open & not fenced in.

It is such a RELIEF to

take a "pre-rational" toddler

somewhere they can't

wander into danger -

especially if watching

multiple kids. I often see

requests on Peachhead, the big local

parents list, for enclosed

playgrounds. I LIKE the enclosure.

(more space for comments on back)

5.

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- Design A ☐
- Design B ☒ #2
- Design C ☐
- Design D ☐
- Design E ☒ #1

Comments (optional):

(more space for comments on back)

6.



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Parks Back
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Additional space for comments (optional):

The things we miss most are the tall slide w/ climbing

structure, swings, and SAND. Sometimes my daughter

would play only in the sand and go home happy.

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Design A 1

Design B 2

Design C 3

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

(more space for comments on back)

7.

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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A 1

Design B _____

Design C _____

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

It's very important
to provide the
younger children
with traditional
swings & safety
swings

(more space for comments on back)

(8)

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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A 1

Design B 2

Design C _____

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

I like the concept
that has both
a bucket swing
and traditional
swings.

(more space for comments on back)

9.

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OF THE
PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A _____

Design B ✓

Design C _____

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

Swings & sandbox

(more space for comments on back)

(11) "

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OF THE
PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A X #1

Design B _____

Design C _____

Design D #2

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

10.
Front

~~Need at least~~

Need at least

one bucket swing

+ one regular swing

* More than 2 swings
would be better.

That is where we
often get "lines."

(more space for comments on back)

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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A _____

Design B _____

Design C _____

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

12.
Front

I do not like any of
these designs because
it allocates a tiny
space to toddlers
and excludes them
from the larger play
yard. I disagree that
there should be such a
huge separation between
ages. Ideal park to see
is Alta Park, Stoner Park
and Tongva Park. Older kids
play side by side w/ toddlers

(more space for comments on back)

We miss the sand! Small
kids spend hours playing in the sand.
Wood chips hurt our kids' feet! →



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10.
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Additional space for comments (optional):

I like the spring rider but not the
rotating net w/ deck. (in option C)

Closing the toddler side during the day AT ALL is
unacceptable. Especially at non-standard times.

Re: Wood chips vs. sand → many opportunities
for development are
lost with wood.
Shade structure is NOT as important.

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12.
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Additional space for comments (optional):

I think the unsafe equipment in the
large yard (older kids have gotten hurt)
should be removed and replaced by
toddler appropriate equipment.

#1 like the block captain idea!!
-Peggy Koyanagi

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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:**

Design A ²

Design B _____

Design C

Design D  \

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

175

(more space for comments on back)

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LISTED BELOW:**

Design A

Design B #2

Design C

Design D ~~##~~ /

Design E. _____

Comments (optional):

18

(more space for comments on back)

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LISTED BELOW:**

Design A

Design B $\checkmark$ #1

Design C

Design D

Design E ✓ #2

Comments (optional):

19.

The Play
ground that
you put IN

How ARE the
children going to
play on it
when it get
hot
children need
swing
and slides

(more space for comments on back)

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LISTED BELOW:**

Design A 2

Design B

Design C 1

Design D

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

20.

Main structures have more imaginary play.

(more space for comments on back)

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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

- WITH CONVENTIONAL SWINGS
→ Design A ☒ 1
Design B ☒ 2
Design C _____
Design D _____
Design E _____

Comments (optional):

21. Front
SEE WHAT EQUIPMENT
THAT EXCLUDES
DOESNT EXCLUDE
ONE OF AGE GROUPS
WOULD LIKE COMBINATION
+ BACKST SWINGS
THINK THE ~~BOYS~~
SPINNER ~~BOYS~~
ARE USELESS BOYS

(more space for comments on back)

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OF THE
PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

- Design A _____
Design B ☒ #2
Design C ☒ #1
Design D _____
Design E _____

Comments (optional):

22. Front
I LOVE THE DOUBLE-
SWING E!

(more space for comments on back)



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Additional space for comments (optional):

21. Back
NEED TO ACCOMMODATE
ALL AGE GROUPS
TODDLER AND PRE-SCHOOL
SET 6 MONTHS → 2 YEARS
2-5 YEARS -

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Additional space for comments (optional):

22. Back
-WE GENERALLY LIKE THE (N) EQUIPMENT
-ANY NEW TODDLER / PRESCHOOL EQUIP
WILL BE AN IMPROVEMENT. I THINK
TARGETING 2-5 AGE IS GOOD (BIGGER
SLIDES, NOT FOR BABIES)

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Design A _____

Design B 1

Design C 2

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

23.
Front

(more space for comments on back)

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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A _____

Design B ✓

Design C _____

Design D _____

Design E _____

Comments (optional):

(25) 25
Front

There is
quite a bit
of wasted
space in the
redesigned big
playground. The
swing set that
was there prior
to be redesign shoul
be replaced so
there are swings
for both age
(more space for comments on back)



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23.
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Additional space for comments (optional):

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nice, but more age appropriate
playground for little ones, would be
great.

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25.
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Additional space for comments (optional):

groups. In addition the children
miss the tactile lessons learned
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Design A _____
Design B ☒ #1
Design C _____
Design D _____
Design E _____

Comments (optional):

24.

Please include
standard swing
sets.

(more space for comments on back)

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PLAYGROUND DESIGNS
LISTED BELOW:

Design A _____
Design B 2
Design C _____
Design D _____
Design E 1

Comments (optional):

26.
front

- opportunity for kids
to learn and be
challenged cognitively
& physically.
- meet needs of
toddlers and
preschoolers
- use more of the
space - tables, music
object recognition
- double slides - kids
enjoy racing down them

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Design A _____
Design B _____
Design C _____
Design D ☒ with the
Design E _____

Comments (optional):

27.

vine motif

(more space for comments on back)



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You may email additional comments to:
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26.
Back

Please turn this card over to rate the playground designs.

Additional space for comments (optional):

Keep fencing - safety for
toddlers they do not know
to stay off the street.

Moms Club Communication

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First Public Comment Period

City Clerk Martin Cole – There are six cards, Mr. Mayor.

Marta Zaragoza – I live in this neighborhood and raised my children in Culver City. I was disturbed when I found out that if it had not been for the two gentlemen who made others in the neighborhood aware of this lack of transparency by the City, this meeting would not be taking place; as a result of their outreach, now we have democracy. There is a reason for the separation of the 2 – 5 and 5 – 12 playgrounds and that reason is safety. Problem - Only 180 public notification postcards (to a 500 foot radius of properties bordering the Park) were sent out but there are 413 households in the neighborhood. Problem – Not everyone uses the Internet so neighbors need to communicate with each other. There is no rush; we need to get the right type of equipment for our children now, not do what is expedient for staff or the committee. Remember that small children have different abilities and needs than older children.

Mariena Quintanilla – I appreciate you guys putting together this meeting. As a product manager, I want to give you my professional opinion. I agree that we need feedback before we get the bid. There are things that you guys can do so you can put out a bid that actually meets the needs of the neighborhood. I know that the \$60,000 remaining is for the sun shade and I hope that focusing on our younger children does not preclude having a shade structure at the 5 – 12 playground since playgrounds do get hot. Keep in mind that the playground should challenge the children both physically and mentally. The time we spend in developing the playground reflects how much we value our children.

Justin Pole – My wife and I are concerned because our child is not allowed into the small children's playground area when the Pre-school is in session. The new playground equipment does not matter if we cannot use it. The woman who works at the Pre-school told me that we are barred from the playground when the Pre-school is in session; I have been told this many times. We need to get some resolution so that the small children can use the equipment from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. If we are paying the taxes to use this stuff, then we need to be able to use this stuff, especially during the day when my daughter would want to use it.

Vince Motyl – I live right across the street from this Park. I have been here for 38 years. The "old-timers" call this McManus Park; the new people realize that it is Kronenthal Park. We know about the notification system which really did not work in this case and I think that we'll get that corrected. I want to say thank you to the City Council and the PRCS Commission for recognizing the problem and acting so quickly to hold this meeting. Thank you for getting it together and I hope that we get this resolved.

Erik Paesel – We are ecstatic that you are holding this meeting and that the City Council reacted so quickly from the last meeting. We appreciate that everyone is here tonight. We talked about the public notification and the fact that despite the public notification in the early years, there was no communication with the community in the year before the equipment was installed in 2015, so this is what happened!

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What we want is something like what they have at Veterans' Park. At Veterans' Park, there seems to be three distinct age groups: the toddlers (6 months – 2 years), the preschoolers (2 – 5 age group) and the school-age set (5 – 12 age group). We also want options that address all three age groups here at SK Park, including both the toddlers and the 2 – 5 year olds. I am in favor of Option A if we can combine two swing sets. The choice between only bucket swings or only conventional (flat) swings does not work for both the toddler and 2 – 5 age groups. *(Staff interjects here: There could be one of each.)* There could be one of each?

Mayor O'Leary – These are some of the comments we need in writing, this would be very specific and very appropriate. Continue with your comments tonight.

Erik Paesel – What were the other Parks that you re-did?

PRCS Director Hernandez – Culver City Park, Fox Hills Park, and El Marino School all have the same type of equipment we have here.

Erik Paesel – It's all geared toward the 5 – 12 set?

Parks Manager Reynolds – No, at Culver City Park and Fox Hills Park we have both 2 – 5 and 5 – 12 equipment.

Erik Paesel – That is what we want!

Council Member Sahli-Wells – It's a bigger space.

PRCS Director Hernandez – One of our issues here is that we do not have the large space that was available at Fox Hills or Culver City Parks. We are restrained to the available playground spaces unless we take out some of the other park amenities to accommodate a new playground structure.

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Ken Mand – Thank you for coming out and hearing our concerns. All of these options are great for the 2 – 5 set. I want to re-emphasize that it would be great if everything remains on the super fast-track. Basically, my daughter is three and I would like her to be able to use the equipment before she outgrows it. For example, to speed-up the process maybe we can separate the procurement of the equipment from the actual going out to bid and the preparation of the site for the playground installation. Thank could be a way of picking up some time.

I think that the estimate to do the whole space was roughly \$110,000 to \$130,000. Is it possible for the Council to approve a not-to-exceed amount at this evening's meeting to get funding in place to speed up the process? I would think that we can get consensus from the community within the next couple of weeks regarding the design.

Also, just to be able to come up with creative ways to shorten the life-cycle of the whole project and going out to bid. From here, it is pretty close; the designs are in place. Again, this is lessons learned for everybody but I would really like to see something happen quickly. Whatever I can do to help, organize and get the message out. I am more than happy to help out.

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Marrischia Davis – I am a teacher here at the Pre-school. I have been in this classroom since 2001. Not once have I been asked anything about our Program or the outside. I have been here every single day for 15 years but no one checked with me or with the other teachers about the changes at the playground. We know what is going on here so I think that it would be imperative for you to check with the teachers.

I also wanted to address the locking out of the kids who aren't age-appropriate for our area. We do close the 2 – 5 playground area for 30 – 40 minutes a day while we are outside playing, only so the little kids do not get hurt with our kids out there playing. Our kids are age 2½ to 5 and no matter how many times we tell the kids to be careful, somebody gets hurt, especially with the red swing out here. But I would never say, "Hey, you can't come in here, we've got it from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m." It does not happen, it does not happen; only the time when we are outside for 30 or 40 minutes do I ask people to please come back later.

Theodore Alamillo (a small child) – His mother, Nicole Alamillo, spoke for him: The first time he come to the playground (after the new playground was installed) he cried because he could not do it, the new equipment was too hard for him to play on. He just turned 5 last week. He wanted to tell you that then new equipment was always too hard for him to play on.

Mayor O'Leary – (asks the children) What to you miss about the old playground equipment?

General Response – (from adults) Swings!

Saudra Davis – I am a 30 year resident. I wanted to say a couple of things. Teacher Mori (?) is my daughter so I came out here to support her but also to support the babies because I come out here often and see the babies playing in the class. But I wanted to say thank you so much City Council for coming out here tonight. It is a demonstration of caring about the community; of democracy. I wanted to ask where the public notices are posted because I heard that most people have not seen them. So I was kind of curious, was it at City Hall, where was it? Also, not only new residents but also long-time residents are very concerned about what happens at the playground. You have already addressed the issue of noticing the impacted communities but I want to make sure that it actually happens and that people are made aware that things are impacting their community.

Charles Babb – I am an interactive video game developer and level designer. I was looking at the actual blueprints and I think that there are a lot of things missing, like things to develop cognitive play. Everything is stationary but kids like to pick things up and carry them around, like Lego blocks. I don't have children now but I when I do I would like my kids to have things to carry around on the playground. Are there any plans, any playground companies that will bring in these non-stationary cognitive play and movement and imagination elements?

Mykeai Clark – I have a 5 year-old and a 1-year old and we are basically at this park every single day. Before the installation of the new playground equipment, my 5 year old was able to do everything on the playground independently since he was about 2 or 3 years old. Now, a lot of the activities require that the parents participate, the kids can't just come out and play independently. You mentioned that Culver City Park was changed. We no longer go to that Park because my son did not like the changes and I did not like them. We did not complain; we just quit going there. We stopped going because we did not like

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the changes and (at that time) we could still come here. Blair Hills still has the traditional type of playground equipment.

I can understand that there are needs for updates and that new technologies come into play as far as kids cognitively developing. But, it seems to me that toddlers should still be able to play with their friends or independently on the bigger apparatuses without parents being involved. Not to say that I mind being involved because I love playing with my son. But, I don't think that there should be such a huge separation between the playground areas for ages 2 – 5 and 5 – 12, or whatever it might be.

City Clerk Martin Cole – And, Mr. Mayor, that concludes the speaker cards.

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At this point in the meeting, staff answered questions/concerned raised by the speakers, the members of the City Council, and the members of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission.

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Second Public Comment Period

Nicole Alamillo – I agree that kids like to play with water and sand but we no longer go to the Park on Jefferson because they added water to the playground and there is no emptying area for that water and it became like a cesspool of germs; there is no drain. So, please do not add an area/feature like that here at SK Park.

(At this point, there seems to be some confusion as to which area Ms. Alamillo is referring to at Culver City Park but PRCS Director says that there is a drain and offers to give her his contact information so that they can discuss it further.)

Irene Dorsey – I walk through the neighborhood a lot here. My husband and I have lived here for 35 years. One thing that I haven't heard mentioned is that there are a lot of senior citizens in the neighborhood. We may not even have kids but that does not mean that we are not interested in the Park or in having a safe playground. The thing that concerns me is notification. I thank PRCS Commissioner Garland for his suggestion (of using block captains to get flyers to everyone in the neighborhood) for people who are not computer savvy or don't have a computer, those who live in rear residences and/or are shut-ins, who we know do not know about these things. Do not overlook the senior citizens – put something in place to reach out to these people. We want to attract people who respect the property as we respect the property. We do not want to see the neighborhood decline again. Culver City is new and interesting and a lot of people want to come here. We've got to let the older homeowners know what's going on.

Marta Zaragoza – It is unfortunate that our Park was not assessed completely, both sides. It is unfortunate also that our General Fund will be impacted because those responsible did not do it right. Let's do it right before you finish now. So there is \$61,000 because most of it was used on the other side for the older children. It was used for our children, yes, but it was not used equally for all the children. Your mistake does not constitute us having to have a poor standard for how you are going to complete the Project...and

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you thought you had completed it already. So, please, whatever you have to do. And, yes, the parent that brought up the part about shading, thank you, because even with it not being summer, those slides, those handles get very hot. So please ensure there is shading.

Mariena Quintanilla – In respect to communication with the Mom’s Club, I did write the president’s email address, we have a generic one. The Board is going to be shifting at the end of the month. So hopefully you guys will be able to see that on comments. I don’t know if there is something for community groups to subscribe to that is different than the one for regular residents. I agree with what everyone is saying...it is great to hear everyone’s feedback. Thank you to everyone from the community who came.

As part of my Mom’s Club, I would love to hear that people want to hold events here at this Park. I am one of maybe half-a-dozen families that live in the Helms Arts District, out of about one hundred families in the Mom’s Club. But no one wants to have an event here. Everyone wants to be in Carlson Park which is where a lot of the members live, which is just viewed a little bit differently. I love this neighborhood within Culver City and would like to see it treated and valued with respect.

Council Member Sahli-Wells reminds everyone to sign up for email notifications on the City’s website.

City Clerk Martin Cole tells those who have provided their email address that they will be signed up for both the “Syd Kronenthal Park Neighborhood” email notification group and the “City Council Meetings and Agendas” email notification group.

Vince Motyl – I never realized that it cost so darn much money to build a playground. We know we have \$61,000 left. I think it is being somewhat unrealistic, in this budget year, to go to the City Council, when we have so many other needs, to ask for another \$50,000 for a Park. My question is, what can be done with the \$61,000 we have left?

Mayor O’Leary notes that all questions will be answered at the end of the public comment period.

Peggy Koyanagi – Thank you for coming out and responding to our needs. I am part of the Mom’s Club, as well. I don’t want to be a naysayer, but on my card, I could not choose an option, to be honest. I feel kind of like, the woman here, that a mistake was possibly made in the designing of what was placed. I feel very sad for future kids because I do not think that my kids will be able to play in the area because it is going to take too long. But because I am a part of this community and I care about the future of other children as well, I don’t think it is fair to give them a substandard solution. I am actually an interior designer and I always take the needs of my clients into account when designing a space.

I disagree with completely separating the children. If you want specific examples, I hate to say this because I love Culver City, but we often take our kids to (Glen) Alla, Stoner and Tongva Parks. If you want to see examples of equipment that works really, really well. Many, many of my friends meet there because they love the play equipment. And I know that we are limited by budget, but in an ideal world, children of different ages like to play together, they learn from each other. For example, my children go to Montessori School where the philosophy is that younger kids learn from older kids and separating them, I don’t think is what they benefit from.

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Ken Mand – Just wanted to touch base on a couple of things...The water and sand table would be great but we are on a limited budget and the expense of bringing plumbing out there seems unnecessary because we are just looking for 2 – 5 year old stuff. The shade structure (at the 5 – 12 playground) would be great, again limited budget. We are lucky to have a lot of trees around the side and there are two separate pavilions where people can get a reprieve from the sun. So, while that would be great, I don't necessarily want that expense to be a hindering factor for getting something for 2 – 5 year olds.

I was a little bit confused, Dan, would this be two separate contracts that would go out, one for procurement of the equipment and one for installation, or is it all in one? I just wanted to bring up, I saw some old (meeting) minutes from a Project at Fox Hills where Kompan equipment was able to be listed as a no-known equal without substitution as a way to grant the funding without necessarily public bidding it.

Justin Pole – I just want to say that I think signage would be a great idea. I think clarity of communication between the Park and the people that are using it, especially regarding the Pre-School would be great. The other thing that I wanted to say, too, is that I really hope that this can get figured out how the 2 – 5 children can get serviced as well, because if the money was allocated that all children would be getting this revamped structure and this obviously doesn't work. I think that something needs to be figured out, especially if an "oops" was made and they were forgotten. I mean, now, it's like the hands are tied and it's almost like, "Sorry 2 – 5 year-olds, we don't have any money." And I don't think it is appropriate to say to everyone in the neighborhood, "Go raise your own money," especially if there was already money there on the table that should have been spent for 2 – 5 year olds.

Mykeai Clark – Just to reiterate what the other lady said about the (age) separation. I mentioned earlier that I have a 5-year old and a 1-year old. Am I supposed to put my 1-year old one place and let my 5-year old go run on his own? Because you guys mentioned that the two age groups can't be combined for some reason. It would, once again, be nice if both could kind of mesh together in the same playground.

Also, the gate, I kind of like the gate because it does keep the little kids separated from what could possibly be going on. I have to run and grab my son on this new equipment because if he starts getting too close he is going to get kicked in the head, or something serious could possibly happen.

--- End of Excerpt at Webcast 97:40 ---

Dear Council Members:

We, the East Culver City Neighborhood around Syd Kronenthal Park have come together and provided our Community Consensus for one of the design options presented to us at the 6/2/15 Council Meeting.

On Wednesday 6/10/15, we relayed our selection of Design Option 'A' to Mr. Dan Hernandez and Mr. Martin Cole, with one flat swing and one bucket swing. As Mr. Hernandez stated during the 6/2/15 Council Meeting, making this minor modification to the swing is quite simple to implement.

Enclosed you will find a list of the Community Members who have come forward to voice their opinion on the 2-5 year old play structure, as well as the voting forms we developed to gather input at our 6/9/15 Community Meeting at the Echo Horizon School. As you can see, the votes were well over 90% in support of the design Option 'A'.

Our Neighborhood is a dynamic group of new homeowners and long established Culver City residents. The Syd Kronenthal Park Playground has been a central meeting place for many of the parents of young children in our area. As these friendships develop at the Park, the Community strengthens as a whole. With the removal of the old structure that all kids could use and installation of the new play structure that only caters to older children, the heart of our Community has been diminished. Parents with 2-5 year olds are now forced to drive to other parks in the area, which is both laborious and time consuming.

The installation of new equipment to serve the 2-5 year olds will help to not just enrich our little ones' lives, but to also reestablish the Syd Kronenthal Park as our Community gathering point.

Culver City is truly the gem of the Westside and we sincerely thank all the support of Council Members and City Staff to rectify the unintended negative effects of the new play structure selection and implementation. Adding the 2-5 Year Old Design Option 'A' will be a fantastic improvement, and surely will be cherished by our Community.

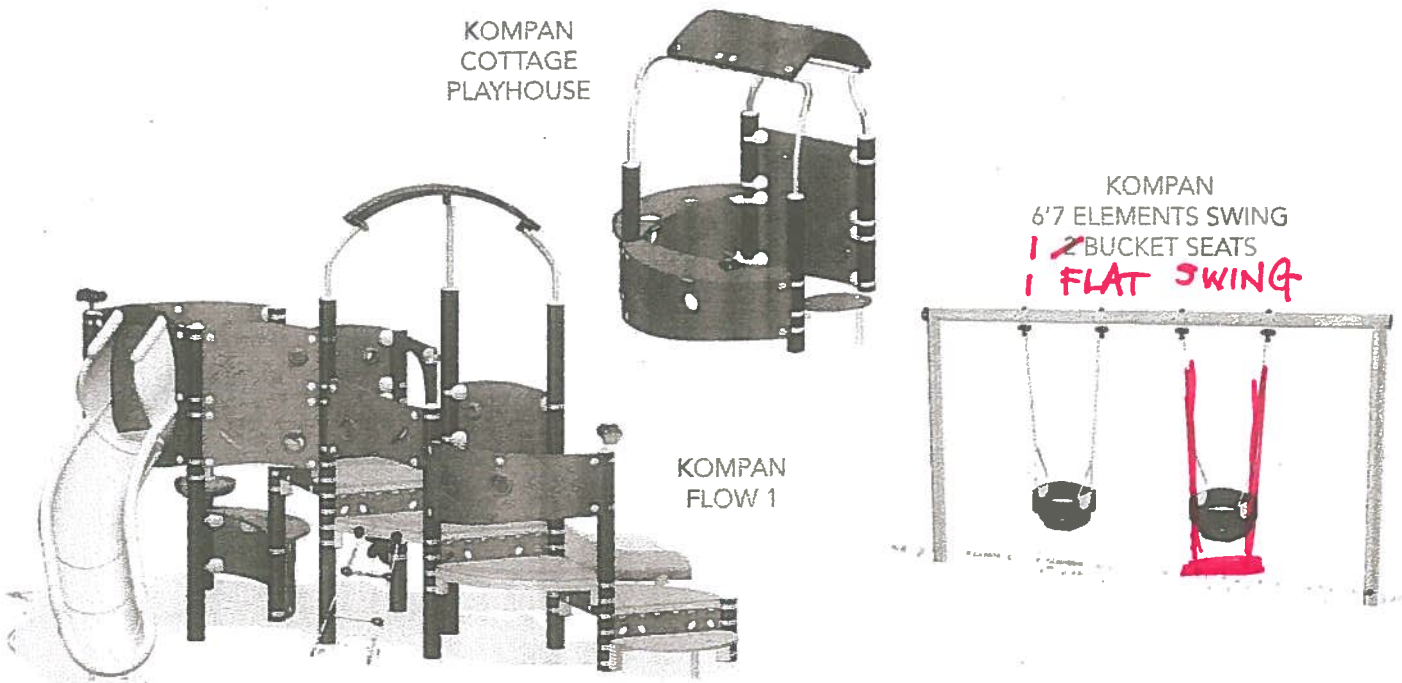
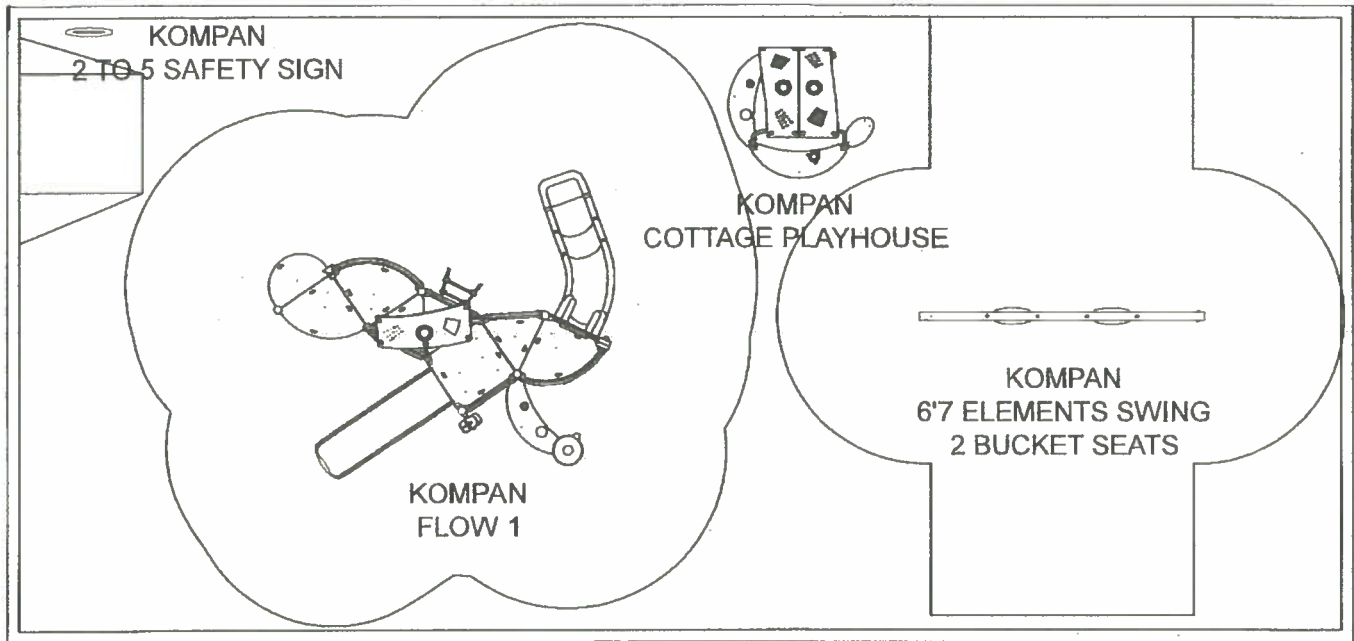


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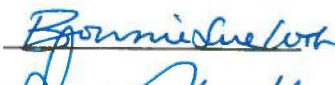
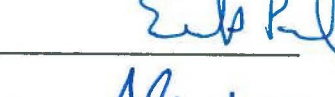
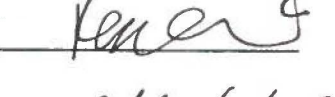
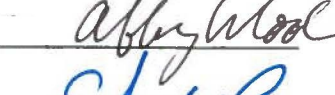
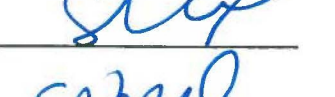
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I support the Community Consensus that will be provided to the City by Thursday 6/11/15.

Community Consensus Selection= OPTION : A

Name	Address	Phone Number	Email	Signature
<u>John Feuerstein</u>				
<u>JEFF SHIFFMAN</u>				
<u>KURTIS KOPF</u>				
<u>Bonnie Kopf</u>				
<u>Halina Grant</u>				
<u>Les Grant</u>				
<u>ERIK PASEL</u>				
<u>Shona Gupta</u>				
<u>ROMAN CHIU</u>				
<u>Abby Wood</u>				
<u>SABRINA SAXON</u>				
<u>Suzanne Mand</u>				
<u>Nicole Alamillo</u>				
<u>Rebecca Alamillo</u>				
<u>KEN MUI</u>				
<u>John Pfeiffer</u>				

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Community Consensus Selection= OPTION : A

Name	Address	Phone Number	Email	Signature
Courtney Benyacar				Courtney Benyacar
Michael Monagan				Michael Monagan
Hana Schachter				Hana Schachter
Mary Van Lo				Mary Van Lo
Jerome Van Lo				Jerome Van Lo
Christie Gaynor				Christie Gaynor
JOEY GAYNOR				Joey Gaynor
IRENE DORSEY				Irene B. Dorsey
JAMES DORSEY				James Dorsey
MARION LAGASSE				M. Lagasse
Jami Mote				Jami Mote
MELINDA VIREN				Melinda Viren
Sara Lechropo				Sara Lechropo
Mariona Quintanilla				Ma Quintanilla
Jose Quintanilla				Jose Quintanilla
Alan Lundgren				Alan Lundgren

I support the Community Consensus that will be provided to the City by Thursday 6/11/15.

Community Consensus Selection= OPTION : A

Name	Address	Phone Number	Email	Signature
<u>Peggy Koyanagi</u>				<u>Peggy Koyanagi</u>
<u>Eric Koyanagi</u>				<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>KIRIN ROBINSON</u>				<u>Kirin Robinson</u>
<u>Max Robinson</u>				<u>Max Robinson</u>
<u>Ngan Vuong</u>				<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Dale Larson</u>				<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Brooke Larson</u>				<u>Brooke Larson / [Signature]</u>
<u>TEACHER</u>				<u>SEE EMAIL</u>
<u>MARRISIA DAVIS</u>				<u>ATTACHED</u>

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: Mary Van Loo

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Jerome Van Loo

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Christie Gaynor

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name:

HALINA NEWBERRY GRANT

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options D, B, C, D, & E:

A — with one toddler/

Bucket swing

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name:

LIS GRANT

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options D, B, C, D, & E:

A w/ 1 toddler swing

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Name: Jara Lehtrepor

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Brooke Larson /JL

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: Abby Wood

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A with toddler swing

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: SABRINA SAXTON

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Ngan Vuong

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Max Robinson

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Peggy Koyanagi

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Dale Larson

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: JOE GAYNOR

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: ERIC KOYANAGI

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Alan Lundgren

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: KURTIS KOPE

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

D

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: Shona Gupta

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A w/ toddler
Swings.

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: John Feuerstein & Ilana Schachter
(Jacob, Age 2)

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: Bryan Manning

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: ROMAN CHIU

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A with toddler swing

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: Rebecca Alamillo

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name:

Ken Mand

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

one flat,
one bucket swing.

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name:

Nicole Alamillo

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

option A

6/9/15 McManus Community Meeting at Echo Horizon School re: 2-5 Year Old Playground Equipment

Name: Suzanne Mand

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

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Name: Sierra

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

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Name: ERIK PAESEL

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

OPTION A
BY FAR!

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Name: Bonnie Kopf

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A (or D)

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Name:

JEFF SHIFFMAN

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

A

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Name:

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options O, A, B, C, D, & E:

A

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Name:

Mariena Quintanilla
Jose Quintanilla

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

E

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Name:

John Pfeiffer

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

E

option A

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Name: MELINDA VIREN

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Kathy Jakubster

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Marion Legasse

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options D, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: JAMES DORSEY

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options B, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: IRENE DORSEY

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Ilane Schachter

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Michael Monagan

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Kieru Robinson

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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Name: Courtney Wood Benyacar

Address:

Top Choice of Playground Options A, B, C, D, & E:

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EMAIL W/ PRESCHOOL TEACHER
Ken Mand
MARI

6/9/15- 8pm Echo Horizon (Open house 6:30-8pm)

Marrischia Davis
To: Ken Mand

Sun, Jun 7, 2015 at 7:44 PM

Hi Ken. Thank you for the update. I will try my best to make the meeting on Tuesday. Being a preschool teacher at Syd Kronenthal for the past 15 years and most likely being the teacher at this location for many years to come, I feel it's very important that we make sure that the equipment is both cognitively and physically effective. With that being said I believe choice A with a traditional swing and a bucket swing will fulfill those needs of our children. I will review the packet again and make sure I'm positive about my vote.

Thanks again, and hope to see you Tuesday.

Marrischia Davis (Teacher Mari)

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Ken Mand

6/9/15- 8pm Echo Horizon (Open house 6:30-8pm)

Marrischia Davis
To: Ken Mand

Wed, Jun 10, 2015 at 6:53 AM

Good Morning Ken,

I hope the meeting went well last night. I wasn't able to make it, my 3 year old got sick and wouldn't let me leave his sight.

I was wondering was there a consensus on one of the options? Hopefully it was A or B :).

Thanks
Mari Davis

Syd Kronenthal Park 2-5 Playground Budget Based on Design Concept 'A'

		<u>DESIGN</u>	
		<u>CONCEPT "A"</u>	
		Recreation Republic	% of Total
<u>Construction:</u>			
1	Playground Equipment, Tax & Freight	\$32,752.00	
2	Mobilization	\$7,500.00	
3	Demo Exist. Equipment & Rubber Surfacing	\$5,250.00	
4	Demo Exist. Subgrade 13" Depth	\$9,750.00	
5	Survey	\$500.00	
6	ADA Ramp	\$3,600.00	
7	Sumps	\$2,500.00	
8	Fine Grading & Compaction	incl.	
9	Playground Equip Installation	\$37,148.00	
10	Filter Fabric & EWF Provide & Install	\$9,525.00	
11	Clean & Restore Area	incl.	
12	Subtotal Construction Costs	\$108,525.00	
13	Contingency - 10%	\$10,850.00	
14	Change Orders - 10%	\$10,850.00	
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL		\$130,225.00	95%
<u>Administration:</u>			
15	Staff Design/Administration	\$6,250.00	
16	Playground Audit	\$500.00	
17	ADA Surfacing Cert.	\$500.00	
18	CEQA	\$100.00	
ADMINISTRATION SUBTOTAL		\$7,350.00	5%
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS		\$137,575.00	
PROP 'A' GRANT UNEXPENDED FUNDS		\$62,051.20	
TOTAL UNFUNDED AMOUNT REMAINING		\$75,523.80	

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Final Comments from the PRCS Commission

Councilmember Clark – ...I would like some advice from the Commission.

Commissioner Heineman – As I understand it, the grant was sought specifically for a specific amount of equipment for a specific age. Right?

PRCS Director Hernandez – That is correct.

Commissioner Heineman – So, if that's the case then I don't particularly perceive this as correcting something that should have been done. I keep hearing that a mistake was made. I think, if you wanted something in addition to what was done...but if the grant was, from the way I understand it, for that then what is left, I could see being utilized toward something else. But knowing the budget as it is going right now, I think it is really a hard thing. And hearing Chair Stuart talk about other people seeking out...possibly the community maybe needs to go out and help to try to seek some more funds. That is just my feeling.

Chair Stuart – This is a Culver City tradition. People band together as neighborhoods, they raise funds to do things. Like I said, Vets' (playground) was rebuilt because Dan O'Brien and the Great Parks Association reached out to KaBOOM! and got money to rehab that playground.

My suggestion to do that is, because you need to understand the budget, and you need to understand the dire straits that every City, not just us, is in financially.

I don't think they made a mistake. They applied for funds for a certain period of time. There is a playground out there. My daughter would never play on any playground equipment. She did not like it. Every kid is different.

A community that organizes to help themselves is a strong community. And, government can't always do it; they just can't. Now, they may be able to add to it; they may not. I have seen the budget, it is pretty rough, it's real rough. And so, if they have choose between tearing out this (2 – 5 playground) or building affordable housing, I wonder what they are going to choose? Or what they may have to, because that for the betterment of the entire community.

And I appreciate them discussing it, but I also appreciate the position that they are in with the budget and with what little money we have. So, consequently, when I say to a community, you need to organize, it's really good if you do. We have community garden people that are organizing because they want more community garden space. They want to figure out a way to create a community. We don't have land but they are creating ways to have this community. It is an old tradition and that is the reason I suggested it to you guys. You know, it's been done before, it will be done again.

But if they want to fund it, that is fine with me to, too. I am glad to see it funded. I am just saying, that is the reason we suggest you participate.

Vice Chair Zeidman – I still remain disappointed in the process. I would have like to have seen the public involved ahead of time. However, it looks like all the money that was spent was spent here so it wasn't

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like the City took the money for the grant and put it somewhere else. So you got the value of the money that was there. Unfortunately, probably could have been, should have been or might have been spread out differently to allow for more age groups which would have meant a smaller or less expensive group for the older kids. And I am disappointed in that. It would have been much better, looking back, and I wasn't on the Commission back then either, if everyone was involved ahead of time.

In the future, apparently, we are all going to be involved and that will be great. The problem we have now is that there is \$61,000 left and we don't know what it is going to cost. Director Hernandez has said it might be \$115,000 but I doubt it, or it might be \$140,000; we don't even know. So, if you are looking for advice, my advice to you is don't do anything until you get a definitive cost. Because allocating \$40,000 more and finding out that that gives you another substandard structure, doesn't work.

Why spend \$100,000 on something that is not right if it turns out that it is going to cost \$170,000. Alternatively, if it can be done on \$100,000, then come back and say, "Hey, we need \$40,000, this is what we have." If the community participates or not, and you guys can deal with that on your own, but this is what we need. But right now, we are saying, yeah, let's do something but I don't know what and allocate money but we don't know how much and maybe it will work. That makes no sense whatsoever.

And so, my marching orders would be to staff, to find out immediately what it is going to cost. Get somebody out here and find out what it is going to cost, what we can do. And then and only then, come back and say, "This is how much money we need."

Commissioner Kent Marin – It is not my position that a mistake was made in the manner that the current grant money was spent. It is my position that the transparency in public notice was where the greatest error was made and it seems like we are doing the most learning there. So, so far, so good. I am trying to imagine what future community input would look like because I am skeptical that the public is equipped to look at specs and know from a two-dimensional image that their kid would or would not be able to reach something or would feel engaged or need parental involvement. I am skeptical that that would happen, that there would be any appropriate expertise from parents that the suggested equipment is appropriate.

But, what I imagine community input would look like is, yes, inviting comment, but also specific targeted survey questions:

- How old are your kids?
- How many kids do you have?
- What is your current usage of the current equipment look like?
- Where are your satisfactions and dissatisfactions?

And that would be a way that I perceive getting community input into the pre-bid process. So I wanted to say that.

I do not feel that I can counsel you (the City Council) on whether or not to put a line item in the budget. I'm sorry. So, I only want to give input on what I think the public notice and community conversation should look like.

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Commissioner Garland – I believe that the area right back behind us here (the 5 -12 playground area) probably does not need a shade structure with the trees, with the existing shade areas that are there. Fortunately, we live in Culver City where we have this wonderful climate. I would like to see that \$61,000 carried over to whatever we are going to do next. And that would be a nice way to start doing whatever we are going to do. Hopefully, we can get a bid or some numbers that are reasonable and we can somehow find the money to do what is necessary.

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