

**City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report**

Meeting Date: <u>06/04/12</u>		Item Number: <u>C-1</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: (1) Acceptance of Work Performed by Fleming Environmental, Inc.; (2) Authorization to File a Notice of Completion; and, (3) Authorization to Release the Retention Payment upon Expiration of the 35-Day Lien Period, for the Culver City Park Playground Improvement Project, P-916.			
Contact Person/Dept.: Patrick Reynolds, Phone Number: 310-253-6470 Parks Manager			
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☐	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒ Date: _____			
Public Notification: (E-Mail) Meetings and Agendas – City Council (05/30/12); (E-Mail) Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission (05/30/12); (E-Mail) Fleming Environmental, Inc. (05/30/12).			
Department Approval: Dan Hernandez (05/24/12)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (05/30/12)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by K. Marsden) (05/30/12)		City Manager Approval: John M. Nachbar (05/30/12)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends that the City Council: (1) accept the work performed by Fleming Environmental, Inc.; (2) authorize the filing of a Notice of Completion; and (3) authorize the release of the retention payment in the amount of \$24,484.80 upon expiration of the 35-day lien period, for the Culver City Park Playground Improvement Project, P-916. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> On April 21, 2008, the City Council adopted a Resolution approving a grant application for \$250,000 in Los Angeles County Proposition A Excess Funds to demolish the existing playground and construct a new playground at Culver City Park and approved a related budget amendment. On May 3, 2010, the City Council adopted the Youth Employment Plan for the Culver City Park Playground Project, thereby fulfilling the Los Angeles County Proposition A grant requirement related to the employment of youth. On September 26, 2011, the City Council approved the final plans and specifications for the Project and authorized the publication of a notice inviting bids. On February 6, 2012, the City Council awarded a construction contract to Fleming Environmental, Inc. in the amount of \$237,373 along with a \$11,868.65 change order authority provided to the Parks Division Manager, for a total of \$249,241.65.			

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DISCUSSION:

The Culver City Park Playground Improvement Project included the demolition of the existing rubberized surfacing and playground structures. Construction began on April 2, 2012 and concluded in early May with the playground opening to stellar reviews by children and those who accompanied them to the playground on May 8, 2012. The new site design features clusters of accessible playground equipment for children ages 2 to 5 and 5 to 12 that provides novel, challenging age-appropriate play. The upgraded playground surfacing, installed by the California Conservation Corps (CCC) pursuant to the Youth Employment Plan for P-916, is engineered wood fiber, a safe fill material that is 100% accessible. A few elements of the original design have been incorporated into the project, including a separate sand play area. The installation of new replacement concrete picnic tables was the final phase of the upgrade to the entire picnic and playground area. Construction management was done by staff, and the playground was audited and certified by playground specialists.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The Culver City Park Playground Project, P-916, is fully funded by a Los Angeles County Proposition A Excess Funds grant and requires no General Fund monies. There are currently sufficient funds for the Project in Account Number 42300916.730100 (Capital Grants / Culver City Park Playground Project / Improvements Other Than Buildings) to pay retention to Fleming Environmental, Inc. in the amount of \$24,484.80.

MOTIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Accept the work performed by Fleming Environmental, Inc. for the Culver City Park Playground Improvement Project, P-916; and,
2. Authorize the Parks Division Manager to execute the Notice of Completion and submit it to the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office; and,
3. Authorize the release of \$24,484.80 in retention funds to Fleming Environmental, Inc. after the expiration of the 35-day lien period.