

6 DEEP CREEK RESERVE - REGIONAL ALL-ABILITIES PLAYSPACE

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RECOMMENDATION

That:

- The tender submitted by Red Centre Nominees Pty Ltd to undertake the works associated with Contract 17/35 - Deep Creek Reserve Regional All-Abilities Playspace Construction be accepted for the contract sum of \$1,908,370.88 (Excl. GST);
- The remaining Tenderers be advised accordingly; and
- The common seal of the Council be affixed to the contract documents.

Attachments

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| 1 Plan and image of playground | 2 Pages |
| 2 Confidential memorandum detailing tenders received circulated to councillors only | 3 Pages |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

It was recognised that there is currently no 'regional' playspace in Cardinia Shire that meets the criteria outlined in the Cardinia Shire Playspace Strategy. The Deep Creek Parklands in Pakenham has previously been identified as the preferred location for a regional all abilities play space. This 42-hectare site is located south of the Pakenham Golf Course and will feature a unique range of environmental, educational, and recreational attractions.

This report provides consideration for the appointment of a contractor to undertake works to construct the large playspace at the Deep Creek Reserve. The proposed works involve play structures and equipment, shelters and barbecues including a community meeting space, landscaping and sensory gardens, sand and water play and associated works.

The tender for the Deep Creek Reserve Regional All-Abilities Playspace submitted Red Centre Nominees Pty Ltd is the most advantageous for Council, providing the best value for money and excellent service through their experience in playspace construction.

It is therefore recommended that Contract 17/35 for the construction of the Deep Creek Reserve Regional All-Abilities Playspace be awarded accordingly.

BACKGROUND

The Deep Creek Reserve is a large 42-hectare site in the heart of Pakenham, south of the Pakenham Golf Club. The masterplan for the site provides for a large scale development including major wetlands and demonstration wetlands, an eco-theme throughout the site incorporating vegetation improvements and habitat creation, an indigenous nursery, large car park for 200 cars and a multi-user shared facility building, combining sports, ecological values and education. The

building will meet the requirements of the Pakenham and District Golf Club, with the Cardinia Environment Coalition (CEC).

The playground is expected to form the centrepiece of this development, providing a community meeting space, market area, outdoor classroom, as well as significant play components and sensory elements. The playspace is an all-abilities site which will cater for children and adults of varying ages and abilities. It is expected that the all-abilities component will draw large numbers of various user groups from a wide area.

The adjacent building contains a Changing Places facility, a specialist area allowing those with the highest needs and their carers a comfortable and modest place.

Tenders were advertised on 12 August 2017 and closed on 5 September 2017. A total of five (5) tenders were received from the following tenderers:

Tenders were evaluated against the criteria of Capability and capacity, Relevant experience and past performance of the tenderer, Quality system and project plan, Compliance with the specifications, financial viability, risk and insurance, compliance to conditions of contract, conflict of interest, OHS, compliance to the conditions of tender, Pricing and value for money.

To provide best value for money, it is recommended that the Deep Creek Reserve Regional All-Abilities Playspace construction be awarded to Red Centre Nominees Pty Ltd for a sum of \$1,908,370.88 (Excl. GST).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The works have been developed in accordance with Council's Play Space Strategy and Asset Management Plans.

RELEVANCE TO COUNCIL PLAN

This project is consistent with efforts to " Provide active and passive recreation facilities to meet the needs of residents", " Increase opportunities for residents to participate in a range of sport, recreation and leisure activities", and " Provide accessible facilities to meet identified community needs".

CONSULTATION/COMMUNICATION

Extensive community consultation was undertaken prior to the detailed design stage commencing. The consultation process included a stall set up at the Pakenham Yakkerboo Festival which was extremely successful. A range of workshops were also undertaken at a number of local public and specialist schools. This consultation formed the basis of the current design. The Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee has been extensively consulted in regard to the design of the all abilities playground and the Committee is supportive of the concepts.

Consultation with the community and affected property owners to notify them of disruptions, if any, throughout the construction works will form part of the project planning and delivery after the award of this Contract.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The recommended tender submitted by Red Centre Nominees Pty Ltd Pty Ltd is for the lump sum price of \$1,908,370.88 (Excl. GST).

There is adequate funding in the Deep Creek Reserve project allocations to cover this tender sum which includes part allocation from the funding received by the Victorian Government's Growing Suburbs Fund - (total received - \$2,850,000). The remaining funds will be provided through Councils capital works program.

CONCLUSION

The tender submitted by Red Centre Nominees Pty Ltd for the construction of the Deep Creek Reserve Regional All-Abilities Playspace is considered to be the most beneficial to Council and it is recommended that Contract 17/35 - Deep Creek Reserve Regional All-Abilities Playspace Construction be awarded to Red Centre Nominees Pty Ltd for \$1,908,370.88 (Excl. GST).



scale 1:500 @ A3

design development plan

- ① primary entrance
- ② outdoor classroom & social space
- ③ slalom course
- ④ swings & mound
- ⑤ access gate (maintenance)
- ⑥ sensory garden trails
- ⑦ secondary entrance
- ⑧ central social space
- ⑨ play ridge
- ⑩ water & sand play
- ⑪ immersive maze

deep creek **all inclusive**
eco playful garden
design development plan
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