

SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

Question and Answers #1 Request for Proposal No. 2465013 Playground Design and Installation

Date: February 14, 2025

Item No.1

Question: Could you confirm the final budget—is it set at \$55,000?

Answer: Yes, \$55,000 is the maximum Parks would like to spend on this asset.

Item No.2

Question: Can you confirm the scope of work? Does it include removing the old playground (if possible, could you provide photos), preparing the surface, and installing the new playground?

Answer: The cost of playground removal will be included in the estimate budget provided. For preparing the surface, the current base material is pea gravel which Parks would like to reuse.

Item No.3

Question: Will any site preparations be completed in advance, or will any materials be provided?

Answer: The prep work will <u>NOT</u> be the responsibility of the Contractor (ie playground removal and surface preparation).

Item No.4

Question: Does the school have an existing agreement with BC Ferries for cargo transportation?

Answer: The Sunshine Coast Regional district has no agreement with BC Ferries.

Item No.5

Question: What is the project timeline and expected completion date?

Answer: The goal is to have this park operational by June 30, 2025.

Item No.6

Question: Could you provide details on the payment schedule?

Answer: Payment schedule are to be included within Contractor's project proposal.

Item No.7

Question: Could you please specify the type of surface area you're considering for the playground? Are you looking for rubber, woodchips, sand, or other products?

Answer: For the Cedar Meadows installation, Parks wishes to re-use the onsite pea gravel.

Item No.8

Question: The Canadian Standards Association (CSA) for playground safety outlines specific requirements, including but not limited to:

- Ensuring the surface extends beyond all sides of the play structures.
- Providing safety surfacing for elevated areas, which may also require guardrails or protective barriers.

Some products, such as rubber safety surfacing, come with a premium cost. Could you please confirm if there is any flexibility in the budget to accommodate these requirements?

Answer: The approved budget is \$55,000. Contractors are requested to outline these safety surfaces within their proposal and include a range of materials and costing that could be used for this project.

Item No.10

Question: What type of borders do you prefer? Or are the existing borders still usable as it states renewal?

Answer: Wood border is usable- the border is no longer required within scope of work.

Item No.11

Question: Plastic or Stainless-Steel Slides?

Answer: No preference.

Item No.12

Question: What post diameter 3 ½ "or 5 "

Answer: Posts need to meet CSA guidelines.

Item No.13

Question: Are you wanting to keep the existing footprint of 47 x 44?

Answer: Yes

Item No.14

Question: Pea Gravel is not considered Accessible Play surface so what are your requirements for inclusive play?

Answer: Parks is requesting options from the vendor which may include accessible play surface.



Photos of Cedar Meadows Playground (Project Site)