



August 13, 2021

RE: Recommendation to Award – Buck Egger – Turf Replacement Project 2021

Dear Mr. Atkins,

As you are aware, on Tuesday, August 10th at 11:00 a.m., sealed bids were opened for the above referenced project. Though advertised in the newspaper and on the City's Solicitations page, only one (1) bid was submitted for this project. While less than ideal, this was not entirely surprising as we recently learned the project was deemed too small by one of the major turf manufacturers. The bid we did receive was submitted by Act Global in the amount of \$103,309.00 for the base bid and \$2010.00 for the add alternate.

Based upon my research into fair pricing on similar synthetic turf systems, the price per square foot proposed by Act Global is very reasonable. According to the professional association, Sports Turf Managers Association, the average cost for a synthetic sports field costs between \$6.00-\$10.25 per square foot. Act Global's base bid reflects a cost of \$6.89 per square foot, and \$7.02 per square foot with the add alternate.

Additionally, Act Global was the original turf manufacturer and installer of the Buck Egger field. They have knowledge of the underdrain system and a vested interest in keeping this field "their turf". Headquartered in North Austin, Act Global frequently shows this field to new employees. Based upon all these considerations, I recommend the City of Round Rock accept the base bid and add alternate submitted by Act Global totaling \$105,319.00 as the best value for the City. If additional information is required, please advise.

Sincerely,

Mayor
Craig Morgan

Mayor Pro-tem
Rene Flores

Council Members
Michelle Ly
Matthew Baker
Frank Ortega
Kristin Stevens
Hilda Montgomery

City Manager
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City Attorney
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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel Morris".

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Park Development Specialist
City of Round Rock – Parks and Recreation Department

Enclosures
cc: Project File