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## Item No. 11.1.3

Halifax Regional Council  
June 10, 2008

**TO:** Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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**SUBMITTED BY:**

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Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

**DATE:** May 20, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Award of Tender 08-157 - St. Stephen Elementary School Play  
Equipment Supply and Install

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### ORIGIN

Approved 2008/09 Capital Budget

### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 08-157 to PlayPower LT Canada Inc. for a Total Tender Price of \$101,155.66 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account Nos. CPX01024 - Playground Upgrades & Replacement and CCV00668 - District 11 Capital Funds, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

**BACKGROUND**

The St. Stephen’s School Parent-Teacher Association Playground Committee was formed in spring 2007, with the assistance of Councilor Patrick Murphy, Past-Principal Amy Boutilier, HRM Parks Coordinator Blair Blakeney, and parent volunteers. The committee has grown in number to include many more enthusiastic parent volunteers, HRM Parkland Planner Tom Jangaard and current principal, Kathy Henning. The committee operates under the charitable organization heading of the HRSB - Registration # 883259236RR0001.

The schoolyard is currently an unappealing area of patched asphalt with equipment limited to two or three basketball hoops and games painted on the asphalt. This project consists of two play structures. One is designed for Grades 1 through 3 and consists of traditional play equipment with a rubberized safety surface. The other play structure is designed for Grades 4 through 6 and is designed to be a “Fitness Cluster”, allowing the Physical Education teacher to use it in curriculum development. The “Fitness Cluster” will use a traditional peastone safety surface.

**DISCUSSION**

The Tender was advertised in the Chronicle Herald newspaper on April 16, 2008 and April 19, 2008. A non-mandatory pre-bid site meeting was held on April 22, 2008 and was attended by two contractors. A total of two tender submissions were received. The tender submission from Kan-Go-Roo Playgrounds was rejected as it did not meet the terms and conditions of the tender.

<i>Company</i>	<i>Lump Sum Price (Before Net HST)</i>	<i>Total Cost (Net HST Included)</i>
PlayPower LT Canada Inc.	\$97,802.02	\$101,155.65

Based on lowest tender price, it is recommended that Tender 08-157 be awarded to PlayPower LT Canada Inc.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$101,155.65 (net HST included), funding is available from Capital Account No. CPX01024 - New Playground Development, Reservation 1429.4 in the amount of \$90,000. Councillor’s Funds in the amount of \$25,000 are available from Capital Account No. CCV00661 - District 11 Capital Funds. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

**Budget Summary: Capital Account No. CPX01024 - Playground Upgrades & Replacement Reservation No. 1429.4**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$90,000.00
Less: Tender 08-157	<u>\$76,155.65*</u>
Balance	\$13,844.00

**Budget Summary: Capital Account No. CCV00661 - District 11 Capital Funds Reservation Nos. 1105.1 & 1496.1**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$25,000
Less: Tender 08-157	<u>\$25,000*</u>
Balance	\$ 0

\* This project was estimated in the Approved 2008/09 Capital Budget at \$90,000. The remaining funds will be used for other playground upgrade projects.

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN**

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.


**ALTERNATIVES**


Council may decide not to approve this tender, but this is not recommended by staff.

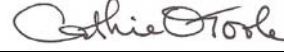
**ATTACHMENTS**

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/agenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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