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TO: Public Infrastructure Committee

FROM: Brock Wetenkamp, Parks Planner; Curt Hall, Park and Recreation Division Manager

RE: Schuette Park Community Built Playground Consultation

The Manitowoc Parks Department is requesting the use of funds from the Restricted Schuette Park Playground Maintenance Fund to pay for a consultation with *Play by Design LLC*, regarding a renovation or rebuild of the Community Built Playground.

We are requesting funds, not to exceed \$500 dollars for this consultation, which would include travel and lodging expenses for the consultant. The consultation would include a review of the playground and an assessment. Based off of this assessment, *Play by Design* would provide the Manitowoc Parks Department with a letter of recommendation and cost estimates for both renovation and rebuild of the playground.

We recommend the City accepting this proposal for following reasons:

1. The Community Built Playground was constructed in 2003 and is nearing the end of its projected life. There are significant issues with wood deterioration and we are looking toward the future of the park. The Manitowoc Park's Department's future goal is a 2nd Generation Community Build. This would be the first step in that process.
2. After the consultation we will have a better view of the scope of work needed for the improvement of this playground.