

TOWN OF FAIRFAX STAFF REPORT February 3, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Garrett Toy, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Authorize the Town Manager to purchase two wooden play structures from

BEARS Playgrounds in a total amount not to exceed \$112,000 including

installation costs

RECOMMENDATION

1) Authorize the Town Manager to purchase two wooden play structures from BEARS Playgrounds in total amount not to exceed \$112,000 including installation costs.

2) Appropriate approximately \$12,000 from the Peri Park equipment fund raising account and \$20,000 from General fund reserves to Fund 51-841.

DISCUSSION

In 2018, the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) began the process to design replacement structures for the two wooden play structures in Peri Park. The existing wooden structures are at the end of their useful life and need to be replaced. PARC used volunteers to help with the conceptual design modeled after similar structures built in Lagunitas. In 2019, PARC decided to focus on the approved conceptual design concept for the younger children structure (i.e.,2-5 years old), the primary reason being the estimated cost for building the structures and available funding. The Town retained a designer to prepare plans. In 2020, the design plans were finalized, and plans reviewed for compliance with building code. However, the Town needed to retain a professional willing to "stamp" the plans (i.e., liability for design) and prepare the plans and specifications for public bid. The rough estimate for the one structure was \$80,000-\$100,000.

With the advent of COVID-19 and shelter-in-place orders, PARC revisited its plans and researched prefabricated wooden structures. The goal was that it may be possible for the Town to purchase/install two wooden structures for the price of one custom designed/built structure and it could be installed more quickly since it would not be subject to the public bidding process. While PARC focused on wooden structures, they discovered that the non-wooden structures (e.g., plastic) cost just as much as wooden structures.

PARC is recommending the Town contract with BEARS Playground for two wooden play structures including the installation of the structures and surface area. PARC believes the BEARS product best reflects the character of the Town and is reasonably priced compared to other vendors of similar products. Attached is the quote for approximately \$102,000 for both structures. Staff included a \$10,000 (approx. 10% of project costs) contingency to account for field conditions that may arise in the process. In addition, demolition costs are not included in the estimate. The Town will either demolish the structure using DPW staff or a separate

contractor. While there are details to be worked out, PARC requested we move this forward to the Council for consideration so we can begin the process.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Town has allocated \$80,000 in Measure A park funds for the play equipment. PARC fund raised another \$12,394 for a combined total of approximately \$92,000. Another \$20,000 in general fund reserves is needed to cover the requested \$112,000.

ATTACHMENTS

BEARS quote

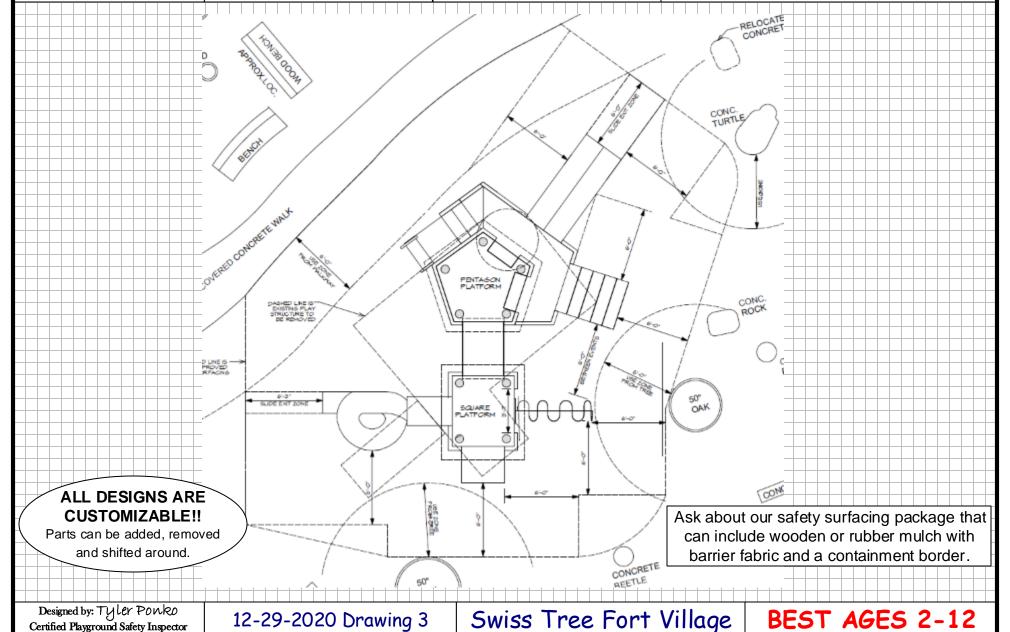


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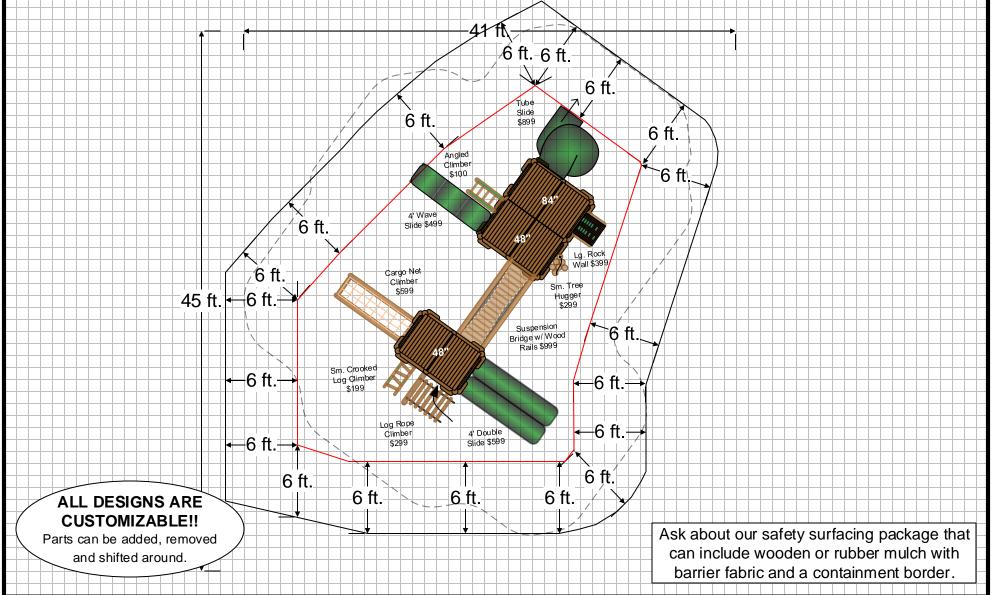


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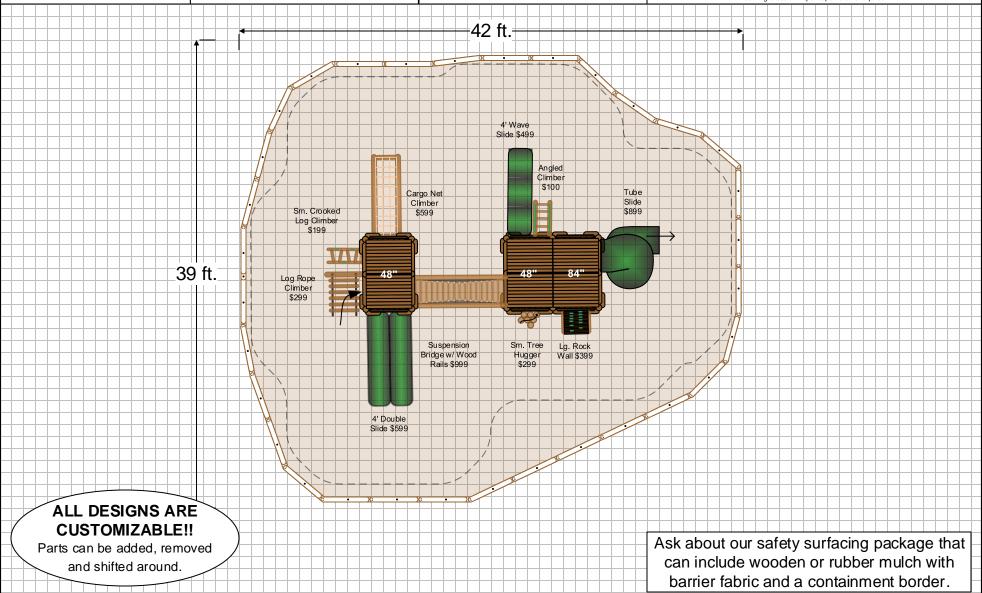


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_	PROUDEST MONKEY STRUCTURE 1	2999	
	PONDEROSA STRUCTURE 2	4999	
	SUSPENSION BRIDGE W/ RAILS	999	
	WOODEN RAIL OPTION X 5	250	
	WOODEN ROOF OPTION X 3	1197	
	SAFETY SIGN X 1	249	
	ON STRUCTURE 1		
	SM CARGO NET	599	
	SM CROOKED LOG CLIMBER	199	
_	LOG ROPE CLIMBER	299	
	4' DOUBLE SLIDE	599	
	ON STRUCTURE 2		
	SM TREE HUGGER	299	
	LG ROCK WALL	399	
	TUBE SLIDE	899	
_	ANGLED CLIMBER	100	
_	4' WAVE SLIDE	499	
	SUB TOTAL	\$14,585.00	
	SHIPPING/MOBILIZATION	\$ 2,899.00	
	INSTALL BY BEARS	\$15,251.50	
_	SAFETY SURFACING PACKAGE		
_	CERT. WOODEN MULCH- 70 YDS^3	\$ 5,590.00	
	BARRIER FABRIC- 1720 FT^2	\$ 350.00	
_	DOUBLE HIGH LOG BORDERS X 35	\$ 1,600.00	
	HEAVY DUTY Swing/Slide Mat X 0	NONE	
	SURFACING PACKAGE INSTALL	\$ 1,600.00	
_	NEW TOTAL	\$41,875.50	
	SALES TAX		

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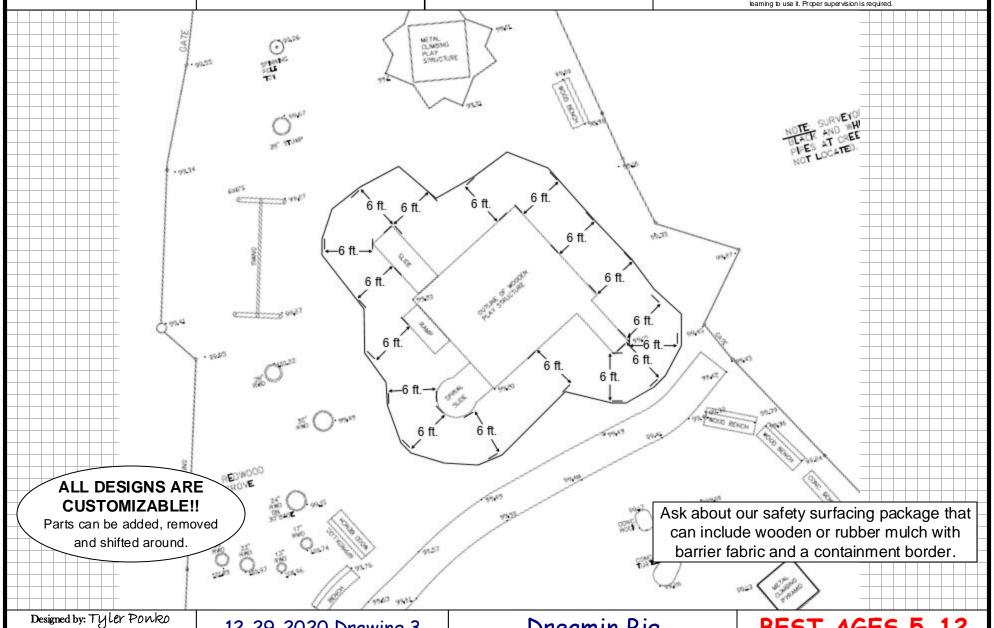
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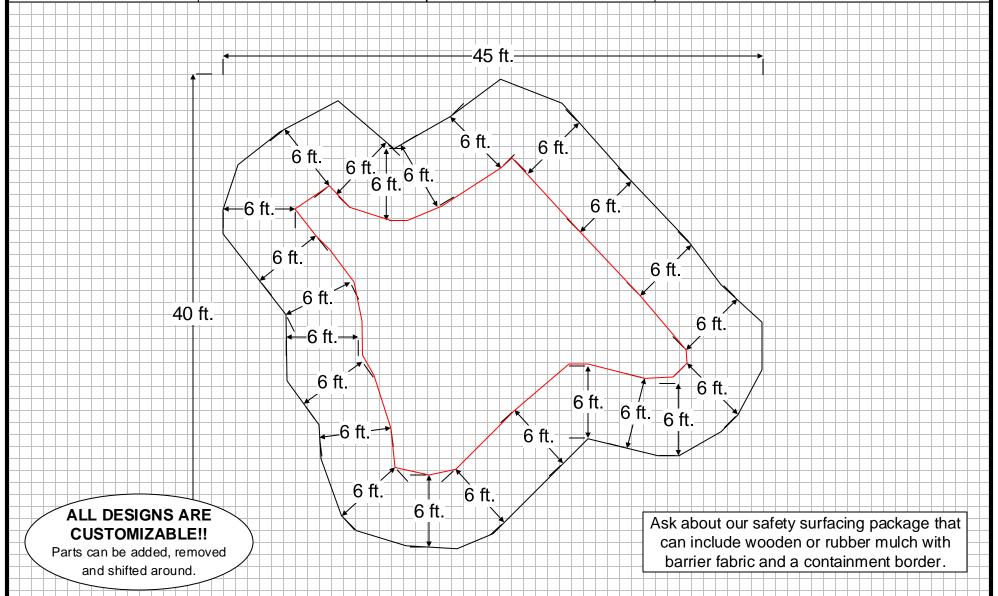


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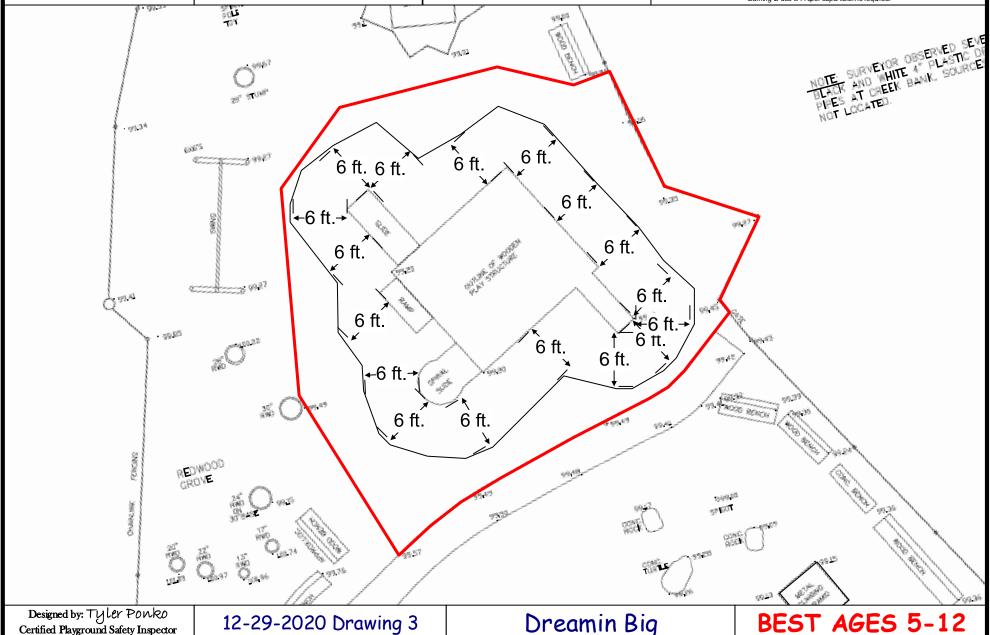
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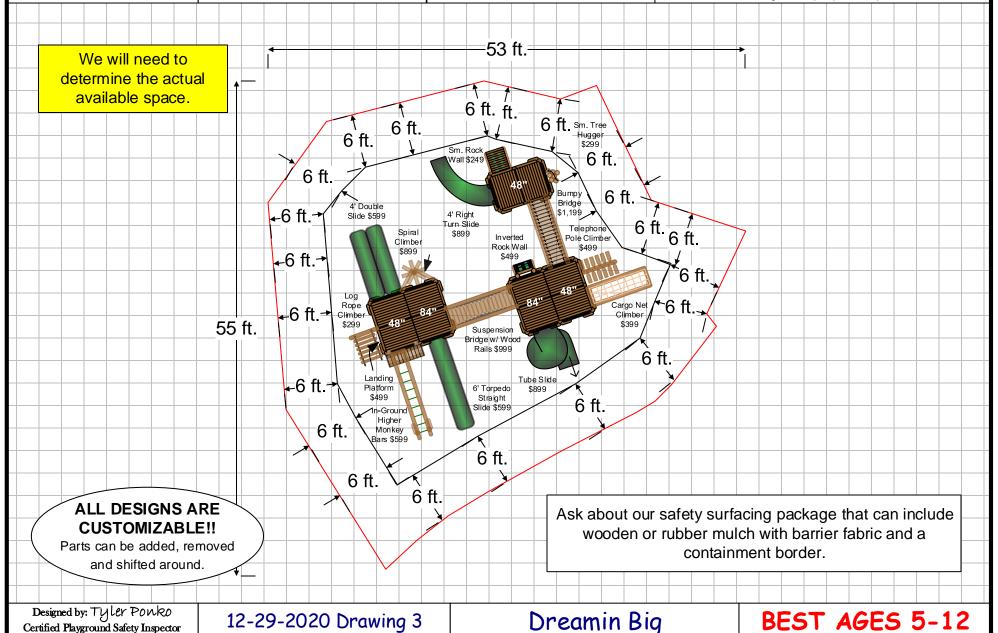
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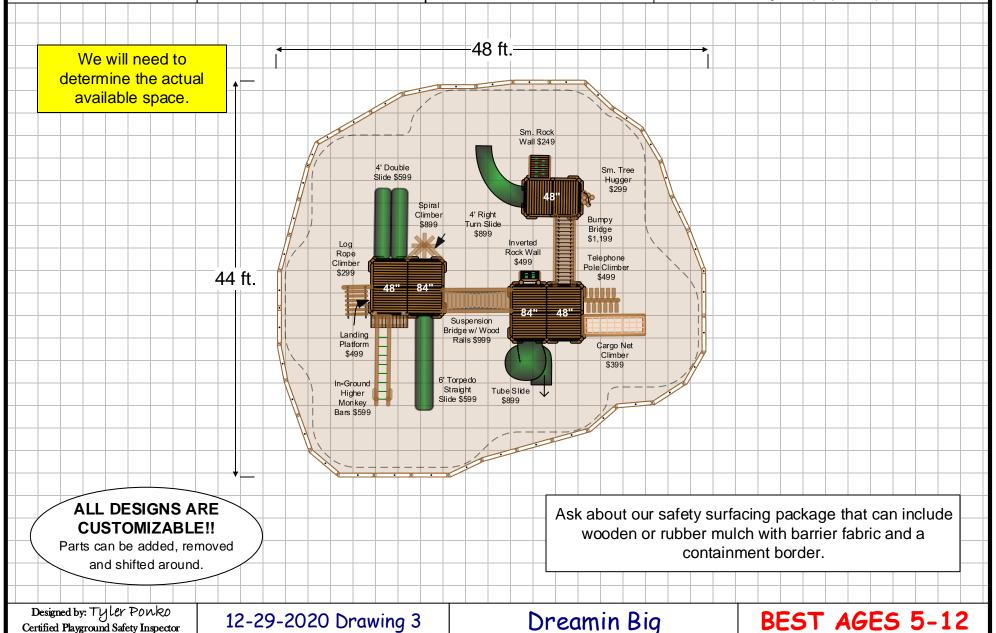
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	WOODEN RAIL OPTION X 7	350	
H	WOODEN ROOF OPTION X 5	1995	
H	SAFETY SIGN X 1	249	
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	TELEPHONE POLE CLIMBER	499	
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H	TUBE SLIDE	899	
	CARGO NET CLIMBER	399	
L	ON STRUCTURE 3		
H	SPIRAL CLIMBER	899	
	4' DOUBLE SLIDE	599	
H	LOG ROPE CLIMBER	299	
H	IN-GROUND HIGHER MONKEY BARS	599	
	LANDING PLATFORM	499	
H	6' TORPEDO SLIDE	599	
H			
	SUB TOTAL	\$26,226.00	
H	SHIPPING ESTIMATE / MOBILIZATION		
	INSTALL BY BEARS	\$18,743.80	
E	SAFETY SURFACING PACKAGE		
H	CERT. WOODEN MULCH- 100 YDS*3	\$ 6,400.00	
	BARRIER FABRIC- 2379 FT*2	\$ 583.00	
L	DOUBLE HIGH LOG BORDERS X 44	\$ 1,850.00	
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