

Saul Alexander Playground Q & A 2.11.21

- 1) What is the desired location for the new playground? I noticed there is an existing playground onsite. Will this stay?
The existing playground equipment will be removed by Town Staff. The existing shelter will remain but can be moved to an alternate location if deemed advantageous. The new playground should occupy relatively the same space as the old.
- 2) In the RFP it was mentioned in the Scope of Work the use of sidewalks. Is this something you consider to be part of the playground?
No, sidewalks would not be considered part of the playground.
- 3) Will there be a pre-bid meeting and when will the questions be answered and sent to others for review since the RFP deadline is February 22nd. We could possibly need to make adjustments based on the answers provided.
There will not be a pre-bid meeting. Questions will be answered as quickly as possible and posted online for public access. Questions should be submitted by 5pm on Tuesday February 16th.
- 4) What is the available size for the playground?
It is approximately .70 acres but should be verified by the company.
- 5) Can the opening date be extended....an inclusive playground design of this size will take some time to properly produce.
Unfortunately, the opening date can not be extended due to approaching deadlines with grant funding.
- 6) Is it possible to schedule a pre bid meeting on the site?
Due to time constraints, a pre-bid meeting was not scheduled. Questions will be answered as quickly as possible and posted online for public access.
- 7) Is there existing playground equipment on the site that will need to be removed to allow for the new equipment....if so, who is responsible for the removal and disposal?
Yes, the existing playground equipment will be removed and disposed of by Town Staff.
- 8) Does the perimeter fence have a vehicular gate to allow access for heavy equipment to the job site?
Yes, it is 12 feet wide.
- 9) Are there particular types/pieces/styles of playground equipment that are desired....and conversely, are there specific pieces of equipment NOT desired?
We are looking for inclusive pieces that appeal to all children. We also would like varying levels of challenge. No specific pieces that we do not want.
- 10) Will the entirety of the \$400,000 budget be spent, (i.e., is the desire of the Summerville team to choose a best value option....or the lowest priced option)?
The value for the options presented will be considered as a whole. Selection is based on criteria established in the RFP (section titled "Criteria for Awards/Evaluation").
- 11) Will the playground equipment and rubber surfacing be installed at/above ground....or will excavation of the site be required?
Earthwork associated with ground cover will be negotiated based on site demands and not part of the RFP.
- 12) Who will be responsible for providing and installing concrete sidewalks?

The Town of Summerville will be responsible for providing and installing concrete sidewalks.

13) What are the specifications for the concrete sidewalks?

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14) Will the sidewalks surround the playground equipment....and if so, will the poured rubber need to be at finished grade with the sidewalks?

The sidewalk location will depend on the design concept presented. Where the poured rubber meets the sidewalk, they would need to be at the same finished grade unless specifically designed otherwise.

15) Is drainage, particularly if excavation is required, to be included by the proposer....and if so, what are the drainage specifications?

Drainage is not associated with the RFP and will be addressed as a design build and will be associated with the Town of Summerville responsibilities.

16) If the site is to be excavated, who will be responsible for this....and for the removal and disposal of the spoils?

Installation requirements and plan are requested as part of the RFP. Removal of spoils are not associated with the RFP and will be outlined in final agreement.

17) Will this project require a business license?

Yes, you would need to acquire a license through the Town of Summerville.

18) Will this project require a permit?

Yes, a building permit will be required, but fees will be waived.

19) If the installation is to be at/above ground, what type of border material is desired, (i.e., rubber, concrete, other)? No preference. Best value and use of park land should determine the border material.

20) What is the time line for completion of this project?

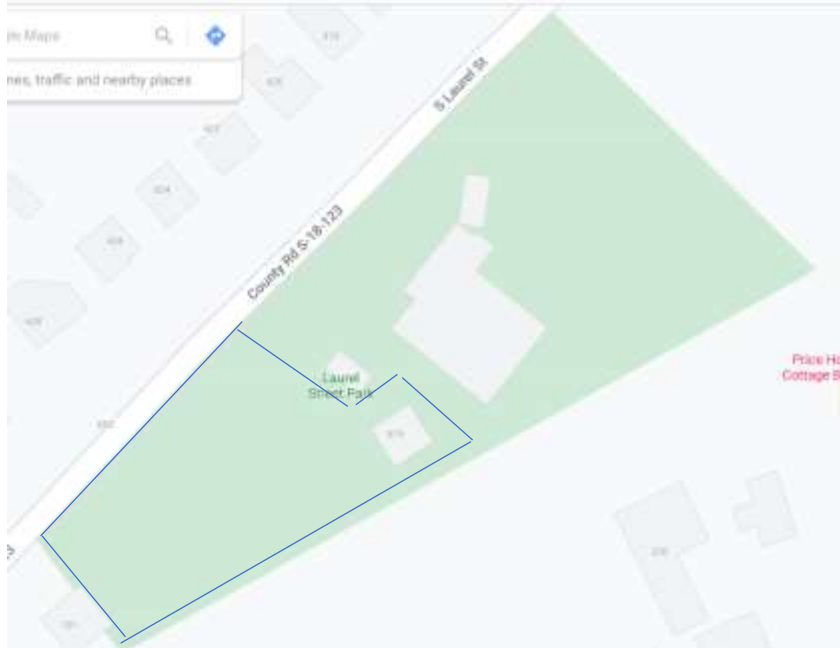
We would like to start this project in March/April and hopefully complete summer 2021.

21) Is there any chance to have more time than less than two weeks to provide this response? For something this large that is a VERY short time frame. With that said is there a deadline for questions? I am sure there will be a few and we would all like to see answers before completely designing our solution for you.

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22) Is there a site plan or dimensions of the area where this will be going?

The below map shows the useable area within the outlined space. It is approximately .70 acres but should be verified by the company.



23) Any plans for a site visit?

Due to time constraints, a pre-bid meeting is not scheduled. Questions will be answered as quickly as possible and posted online for public access.

24) Will we need to include any sidewalks or access to the playground?

The Town of Summerville will be responsible for providing and installing concrete sidewalks.

25) Do you have any preferences for a theme or specific items that we should avoid?

No, we do not have a preference for theme or items. We are looking for inclusive pieces that appeal to all children. We also would like varying levels of challenge.