



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
CC: Members of Administration and Public Works Committee
From: Stefanie Levine, Senior Project Manager.
CC: Edgar Cano - Public Works Agency Director; Lara Biggs - City Engineer; Audrey Thompson - Director of Parks and Recreation
Subject: Resolution 52-R-26, Approval of Contract Award with Innovation Landscape, Inc. for the Chandler Tot Lot Improvements Project (Bid 26-13)
Date: April 27, 2026

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 52-R-26 authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Innovation Landscape, Inc. (1481 Plainfield Road, Oswego, IL 60543) for the Chandler Tot Lot Improvements Project (Bid 26-13) in the amount of \$645,903.60.

Funding Source:

Funding is provided by the Capital Improvement Fund and the 2025 GO Bonds. A detailed summary is included in the memo below.

CARP:

Urban Canopy & Green Space

Council Action:

For Action

Summary:

Chandler Tot Lot is a 0.56-acre park located immediately south of the Chandler-Newberger Community Center at 1028 Central Street. The tot lot has not received major improvements in approximately 32 years. Planned improvements include playground reconstruction, pathway improvements, basketball court reconstruction, drainage improvements benefiting both the playground and the Chandler gymnasium, new site furnishings, retaining wall reconstruction, new fencing, and landscaping.

City staff conducted two community meetings for this project in the summer of 2025 to develop concept plans for the park improvements with area residents. After completing

community engagement, City staff prepared construction documents for bidding in the winter of 2026. On April 16, 2026, the Parks and Recreation Board provided a neutral recommendation for this project.

Analysis:

This project was advertised for bid on February 26, 2026. On March 24, 2026, the City received three bids as follows:

Contractor	Address	Total Base Bid Price
Maneval Construction	28090 W. Concrete Dr., Ingleside IL 60041	Non-responsive
Innovation Landscaping, Inc.	1481 Plainfield Road, Oswego, IL 60543	\$645,903.60
All-Bry Construction Company	145 Tower Drive, Suite 7, Burr Ridge, IL 60527	\$725,000.00

Staff has contacted Innovation Landscaping, Inc’s references and received favorable responses. Staff therefore recommends approval of Resolution 52-R-26 awarding the Chandler Tot Lot Improvements Project (Bid 26-13) to Innovation Landscaping Inc. for a total cost of \$645,903.60. Substantial completion of this project is anticipated in September 2026.

A memo summarizing the contractor’s MWEDBE compliance is attached. Innovation Landscaping, Inc has confirmed compliance with the applicable requirements of the City’s adopted Responsible Bidders Ordinance (RBO).

Detailed Financial Summary:

The following is a detailed breakdown of project funding:

Project (Fund)	Account	Available Budget	Project Cost
Chandler Park – Playground and Drainage Improvements	415.40.4125.65515 – 526037	\$246,199.90	\$246,199.90
Chandler – Building Envelope and Drainage Improvements	415.40.4125.65515 – 625044	\$400,000.00	\$399,703.70
Total		\$646,199.90	\$645,903.60

Attachments:

- [Resolution 52-R-26 bid 26-13 Contract-Agreement](#)
- [BID 26-13 Chandler Tot Lot Improvements MWDEBE](#)