

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**  
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

<b>AGENDA TITLE:</b>	Approval of Mini-Grant Projects for Briarcrest Neighborhood Association and Richmond Beach Community Association
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	City Managers Office/ Community Services Division
<b>PRESENTED BY:</b>	Julie Underwood, Assistant City Manager Rob Beem, Community Services Manager

**ISSUE STATEMENT:**

As established in Resolution 54, the City sets an annual budget for Neighborhood Mini-Grants and City Council approval for the individual grants is required. Two Neighborhood Mini-Grants are proposed for City Council approval.

Briarcrest Neighborhood Association is requesting \$2000 in 2008 Neighborhood Mini-Grant funds for a joint project with the Briarcrest Elementary School PTA and Shoreline School District to renovate playground equipment at the school.

Richmond Beach Community Association is requesting \$5,000 in 2008 Mini-Grant funds to rent equipment and pay facility costs for its community Halloween Carnival the last weekend in October at Syre Elementary School.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

City Council authorized \$20,000 in the 2008 budget to fund Neighborhood Mini-Grants. One \$5,000 Mini-Grant has already been approved in 2008. The budgets for these two projects total an additional \$7,000 and are included in Attachments A and B.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends Council approve a total of \$7,000 for Neighborhood Mini-Grants to the Briarcrest Neighborhood Association and Richmond Beach Community Association.

Approved By: City Manager  City Attorney \_\_\_\_

## **INTRODUCTION**

Briarcrest Neighborhood Association is requesting \$2,000 to purchase and install new playground equipment at Briarcrest Elementary as a joint project with the Briarcrest PTA and Shoreline School District. The new up-to-date equipment emphasizes balance, core strength and agility. The equipment will encourage creative play for children of all abilities from the neighborhood, providing a tangible neighborhood improvement.

Briarcrest PTA has contributed \$5,000 in addition to \$25,000 from Shoreline School District to complete the playground equipment. The \$2,000 Neighborhood Mini-Grant would provide the final funding needed to complete the project. Briarcrest PTA and Briarcrest Neighborhood Association propose to provide a match with both the \$4,950 raised by the Briarcrest PTA and through volunteer efforts in the form of "sweat equity." Volunteers will also spend approximately 120 hours to remodel the play area and help install the new equipment, under the supervision of the manufacturer's representative. Shoreline School District will provide ongoing maintenance for the new equipment.

The Richmond Beach Community Association is requesting \$5,000 to implement its annual community Halloween Carnival. Each year the Richmond Beach community gathers for this community-building event which includes a full day of inflatables, carnival games and food at Syre Elementary School. The community association has committed approximately 700 hours in volunteer time as a match towards the project. Funds will be used to purchase materials for the event such as rental of inflatables, facility expenses, and materials storage.

## **BACKGROUND**

Resolution No. 54 established the Neighborhood Mini-Grant program, with the process and administration of the funds to be handled by Neighborhoods staff. The allocation of the total funds available is determined from year to year by appropriation of the City Council. All such grants to individual neighborhood associations must be approved by City Council prior to their implementation.

The Neighborhood Mini-Grant program provides grants of up to \$5,000 to each of the active organized, qualifying neighborhood associations in the City of Shoreline. Neighborhood Associations are required to match Neighborhood Mini-Grant funds. A match may be generated from co-sponsoring groups, businesses, organizations, schools, media, in-kind donations and/or "sweat equity".

Neighborhood Mini-Grant project categories include the following:

- Projects that create or enhance a tangible improvement in the neighborhood;
- Projects that disseminate information and increase awareness of the goals and mission of the neighborhood association to the neighborhood community;
- Projects that directly benefit a public agency or organization and its immediate neighborhood, and that require the active involvement of both the public agency and members of the neighborhood in planning and carrying out the program.

The Briarcrest Neighborhood Association recognizes a strong sense of neighborhood identity based on the combination of assets located in the neighborhood: residences, two large parks, as well as public elementary, middle and high schools. The neighborhood association wants to partner with Briarcrest PTA to create a tangible improvement in the playground which will benefit all neighborhood children.

Briarcrest Neighborhood Association has successfully completed several other Mini-Grant projects in the last ten years including installing a neighborhood information kiosk, installing neighborhood identity signs, planting street trees on 25<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and repairing the kiosk in 2006 after significant vandalism.

Richmond Beach Community Association is seeking approval for a \$5,000 Mini-Grant to put on the annual neighborhood Halloween Carnival the last weekend in October. The project meets the goals of the Mini-Grant program by providing benefits to the neighborhood of increasing awareness of the neighborhood association and promoting active volunteer involvement with the Richmond Beach Community Association, local scout troops, families and community residents.

Richmond Beach Community Association has successfully completed other Mini-Grant projects including neighborhood signage in 2000, improvements to Richmond Beach Reserve Park in 2001 and the Community Carnival in 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends Council approve a total of \$7,000 for Neighborhood Mini-Grants to the Briarcrest Neighborhood Association and Richmond Beach Community Association.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- A – Briarcrest Mini-Grant Budget
- B – Briarcrest Playground Renovation Equipment
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- D – Briarcrest Playground Renovation Schematic
- E – Richmond Beach Mini-Grant Budget

## Attachment A

### Briarcrest Neighborhood Association 2008 Mini-Grant Project Budget Briarcrest Elementary School Playground Equipment

<u>Project / Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Playground structures: Kompan Custom Galaxy (climbing structure), Spica and Spinner Bowl (spinners) Supernova (merry-go-round), including tax	\$25,872
Installation materials and supervision	\$ 1,600
Liner, wood fiber, including freight and tax	<u>\$ 4,478</u>
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$31,950</b>

<u>Funding</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Shoreline School District	\$25,000
Ridgecrest Elementary PTA fundraising	\$ 4,950
<b><i>City of Shoreline Neighborhood Mini-Grant</i></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,000</u></b>
<b>Total Project Funding</b>	<b>\$31,950</b>

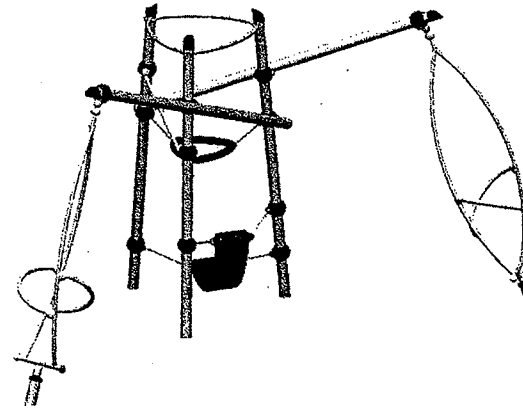
### Project Match

The group proposes to provide a match with \$25,000 from Shoreline School District, \$5,000 from Briarcrest PTA and a volunteer match in the form of "sweat equity." Volunteers will spend approximately 120 hours to put in the equipment. Tasks to be completed by volunteers include: removal of old equipment and installing the new equipment (under the supervision of the manufacturer's representative).

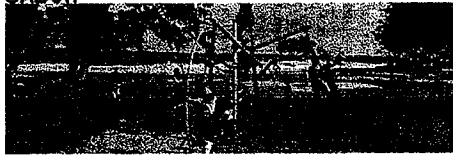
## Briarcrest Playground Renovation

Summer 2008

### Galaxy

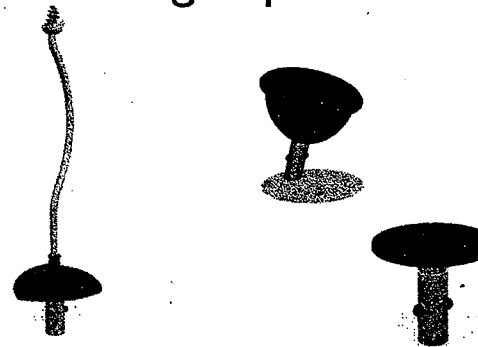


GALAXY™



- \* Galaxy™ has challenging play events that captures the imagination of kids aged 5 to 12+.
- \* The system components can be customized to create unique constellations to fit any playground and budget.
- \* Inclusion in play enriches everyone's experience on the playground, and Galaxy™ offers access to children of all abilities.
- \* Durable materials are used in all components that stand up to the toughest conditions and use.
- \* Galvanized steel and contrasting colors creates a look of rugged sophistication that older children find appealing.
- \* Galaxy's™ transparent design allows it to blend with any environment.

### Spica, Spinner Bowl, Vertigo Spinner





## Spica

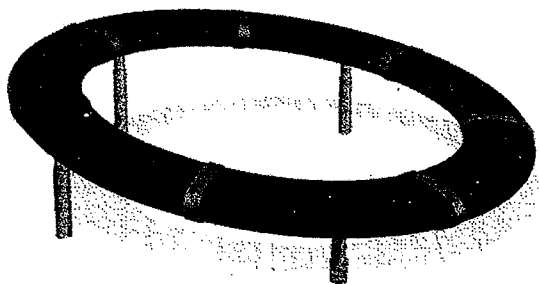
Spica is a uniquely designed, delightful, challenging piece of rotating playground equipment that can be independently placed along a pedestrian street, by a sports center or within a shopping district. It can also be included as part of a group of playground equipment. The three models have different designs and react in different ways to the movement of the child. It is therefore necessary to experiment with its movement and one's center of gravity in order to master Spica's rotations.



## Spinner Bowl

- Spinner Bowls utilize balance and core strength to make the bowl rotate
- Are appropriate for ages 5 - 12

## Supernova



## Supernova

- Use your strength and hold your balance! This seems to be the best way to describe the kind of play that takes place on the Supernova. A single child can engage in exploring its possibilities, but together with a whole group of children, this play item expresses its real potential. The large, slanting ring is set in motion by the children. Turning, spinning, balancing or just enjoying the ride are among the countless play options of the Supernova.



Client: BRIARCREST ELEMENTARY  
 Date: 05/06/08 Project #: Area 1  
 Representative: Highwire, Inc. PT  
 Model: As Noted  
 CSR: Michelle Griffith JCC  
 Scale: 1/8" = 1'-0"

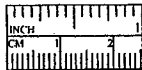
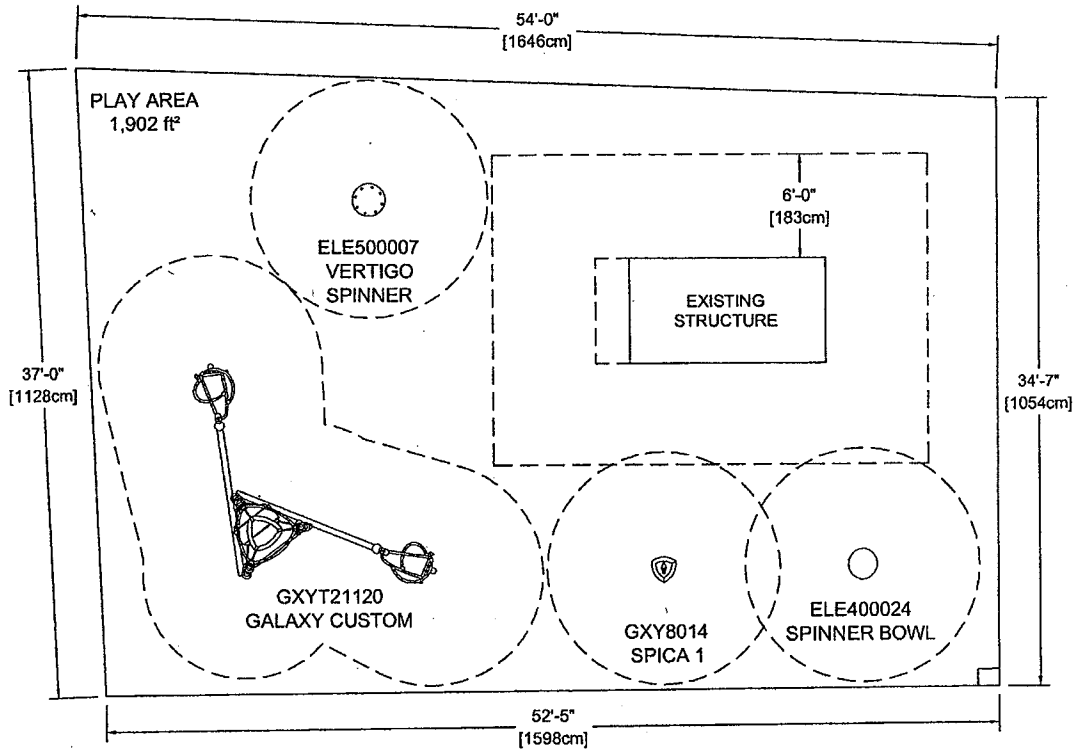
"All composite structures shown require a site grade of 1% maximum."

For surface mount options, the concrete thickness may be up to 5 1/2 inches. Please contact KOMPAN for specific product requirements.

"Site representation is based upon estimated site dimension and cannot be used as an accurate way of determining site area"

Layout is in accordance with ASTM F1487-07

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**Richmond Beach Community Association  
2008 Mini-Grant Budget  
Community Halloween Carnival**

<b><u>Project / Item</u></b>	<b><u>Cost*</u></b>
Estimated costs based on previous years' expenses	
<b>Rental of inflatables and machinery</b>	<b>\$1,800</b>
<b>Facility expenses (rental fee, custodian, security, cook)</b>	<b>\$1,400</b>
<b>Storage of equipment and materials</b>	<b><u>\$1,800</u></b>
<b>Mini-Grant Total</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>

\* costs may include Washington state sales tax

### **Project Match**

The Richmond Beach Community Association proposes to provide match for its Mini-Grant through both "sweat equity" and paying for some of the supplies and costs of the carnival. The Association will provide the following on the project: coordinating and directing volunteers; working in the activity and game booths; design, preparation and distribution of advertisement flyers and signs; delivering information flyers to schools; building, setting up, decorating and taking down the haunted house; cleanup and hauling props and re-usable items to storage facility.

The total cost of the project is approximately \$9,300, of which \$5,000 would be Mini-Grant funds. The \$4,000 balance will be paid by the Richmond Beach Community Association.