



## THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Patti McLaughlin, City Manager  
Todd Stoughton, Assistant City Manager

**FROM:** Michael Turner, Deputy Director of Community Services

**DATE:** February 7, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Approving the sole source purchase and Installation of the brand name FlexiPave from K.B. Industries, Inc. for the Resurfacing of the Playground Area at Truman Waterfront Park for a total amount not to exceed \$226,739.60.

### **ACTION STATEMENT:**

Approving the purchase of Flexi-Pave material from K.B. Industries, Inc. on a sole source basis pursuant to Section 2-797(1) for brand name items in accordance with 2-844 of the Code of Ordinances for resurfacing play surfaces in Truman Waterfront Park for a total amount not to exceed \$226,739.60.

### **BACKGROUND:**

In August of 2009 under the authority of the City Commission of the City of Key West, Florida Resolutions 09-220 and 09-263, the City Staff of Key West installed Flexi-Pave materials from K.B. Industries, Inc. in the tree planters along Duval Street and in areas adjacent to the Southernmost Point. During that time the City of Key West joined KBI's Green Partnership Program™ (GPP). The program provides municipal, educational, and commercial clients the option to self-install the products, thus realizing labor cost savings.

Since that time Flexi-Pave has been installed in other city areas to include city owned play surfaces. Flexi-Pave meets the requirements under the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) F1292 Standard Specification for Impact Attenuation of Surface Systems Under and Around Playground Equipment.

The surfacing of the playground at Truman Waterfront has started to degrade and come apart in certain areas. The City has made multiple repairs to try to fix the issue but now it needs a total resurfacing.

**PURPOSE & JUSTIFICATION:**

The continued installation of the Flexi-Pave Materials aids in reducing trip/ fall hazards and impervious ground cover for increased stormwater runoff for Key West. Additional benefits manifest environmentally from the use of recycled materials, reduction in fuel usage and carbon monoxide emissions.

In order to maintain uniformity of product, installation procedures, and performance, staff has determined that FlexiPave is the only product that will satisfy the city's need. Additionally, FlexiPave is the only product City Staff is trained with to install and make repairs. K.B. Industries Inc. is the sole manufacturer and distributor of the product FlexiPave.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Purchase and installation of FlexiPave at the Truman Waterfront playground is consistent with the Key West Forward Strategic Plan, Priority 5: Cleanliness.

**OPTIONS:**

- 1) Approve the purchase and installation of Flexi-Pave from K.B. Industries, Inc. for the playground at Truman Waterfront Park for a total amount not to exceed \$226,739.60.
- 2) Do not approve the purchase and installation of Flexi-Pave from K.B. Industries, Inc. for the playground at Truman Waterfront Park for a total amount not to exceed \$226,739.60. A continued degradation would occur causing an unsafe play area.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Truman Waterfront Playground Resurfacing was approved in the FY22 Budget for \$200,000 under the Infrastructure Surtax/Parks and Recreation/Infrastructure in Account No. 101-7201-572-63. The remainder is funded under Infrastructure Surtax/Reserves for \$26,739.60.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends option 1, approve the resolution authorizing the purchase and Installation of Flexi-Pave from K.B. Industries, Inc. for the playgrounds at Truman Waterfront Park for a total amount not to exceed \$226,739.60.