



## ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item  
Meeting of February 11, 2012**

**DATE:** January 12, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Award of Contract for the Replacement of the Synthetic Turf Surfacing on the Competition Field at Virginia Highlands Park.

**C. M. RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Approve the Award of Contract in the amount of \$497,588.00 to Shaw Sportex and approve an allocation of \$49,758.80 as a contingency for change orders, for a total contract authorization of \$547,346.80.
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute the contract documents on behalf of the County, after the review and approval of such documents by the County Attorney.

**ISSUES:** County Board approval is required for award of the construction contract. There are no outstanding issues.

**SUMMARY:** The competition field at Virginia Highlands Park is a rectangular field used for soccer and other sports (see map in Attachment 1). The field was installed in 2004 and has sustained eight years of heavy service through a combination of scheduled use and drop-in play. The turf is now worn beyond reasonable repair. The improvements to the field will consist of replacement of the synthetic turf surfacing. The field is being replaced through the FY2012 Parks Capital Maintenance Program. A field plan is attached hereto as an exhibit.

**BACKGROUND:** The field at Virginia Highlands Park was first converted from natural grass to synthetic grass in 2004 to increase the amount of playability to meet demand. During the past eight years the field has seen heavy use from pickup games and affiliated sports leagues. The Virginia Highlands field has reached its life expectancy while having provided thousands of hours of play annually during the past eight years. The turf is worn beyond reasonable repair and in need of replacement. The project was identified for replacement as a park maintenance capital project during the Parks Infrastructure Asset Management Study.

County Manager:

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County Attorney:

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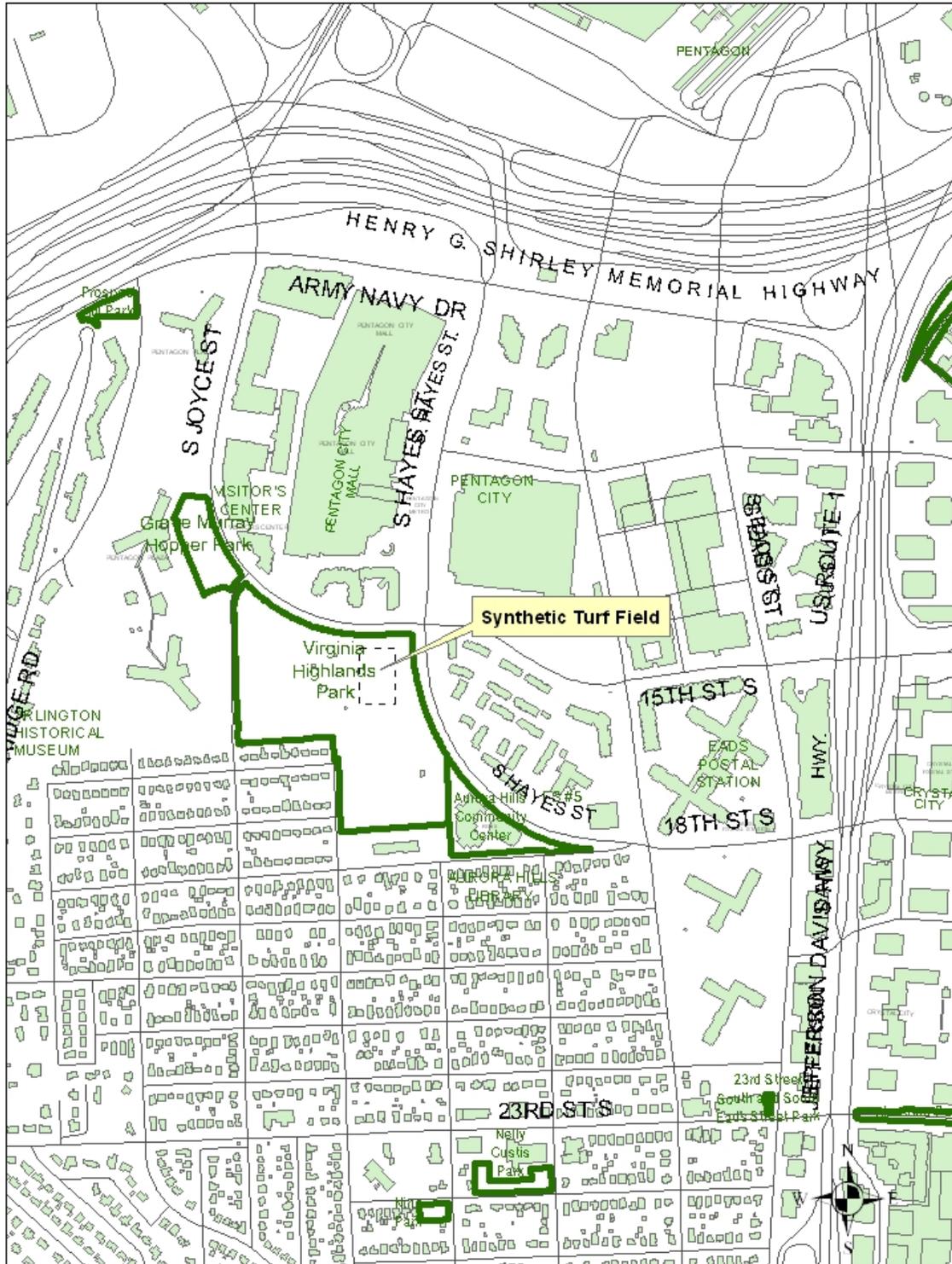
Staff: Bernadette Grullon, Department of Parks and Recreation

The improvements to the field are for replacement of the synthetic turf surfacing layer with new monofilament synthetic infill-type surfacing. The existing aggregate layer and drainage system will be retained. The existing surfacing and rubber in-fill will be recycled to the greatest extent possible.

**DISCUSSION:** Construction is anticipated to begin early spring 2012 and be completed by the end of summer 2012. The proposed work is to be performed through the TIPS/TAPS cooperative procurement program, which rides a procurement process conducted by The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS).

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding for the replacement of the synthetic turf field at Virginia Highlands Park is available from the FY2012 Pay-As-You-Go Parks Maintenance Capital funds. The funds are available in account 313.438200.80001.VASD.0649.0000 and 313.437405.80001.VHSC.0649.0000.

ATTACHMENT 1



Virginia Highlands Park - Synthetic Turf Field

