

SOUTH PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Business Services



TO: Members of the Board of Education

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SUBJECT: Sole Source Justification – Sport Build

Background

The District had been experiencing what appeared to be an unusual amount of degradation of the new synthetic track surface at South Pasadena High School. The result had been excessive amounts of red rubber coating granules accumulating around the athletic complex.

Discussion

At the time the new track surface was turned over to the District, we were advised that a certain amount of delamination was normal and would last several months. Nearly two years later, monthly accumulation resulted in one half to a whole 55-gallon trash container of red rubber debris. The original installer of the track, California Track & Engineering was contacted to perform a warranty follow up inspection.

The District was informed that California Track & Engineering was no longer in business but was redirected to Sport Build regarding any warranty issues related to California Track & Engineering installations. A representative of Sport Build inspected the track early in November and deemed the existing conditions worthy of warranty repairs. Unfortunately, the funds set aside by California Track & Engineering to address warranty related work had been exhausted and no additional funds are available.

The District asked Sport Build for recommendations to stop the delamination and preserve the long term life of the track. The recommendation included two coats of aliphatic polymer binder by the original manufacturer/supplier of the High School track coating, Rekortan to ensure proper adhesion to the original surface. Once cured, all striping and markings would be repainted.

Inasmuch as Sport Build is providing warranty work support for now defunct California Track & Engineering, the District has little choice but to utilize Sport Build as a sole source provider to preserve the artificial track surface.

Based on the circumstances outlined above, Sport Build is the only company qualified to perform warranty work on the deficient track surface.

Recommendation

Dave Lubs, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, recommends that the Board of Education approve Sport Build as a sole source provider of warranty repairs for the South Pasadena High School's synthetic track surface.