

FALLBROOK UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATE: November 18, 2013

TOPIC: Approval of the Stadium Turf Replacement

ACTION X **CONSENT** _____ **INFORMATION** _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The district had synthetic turf installed at the Fallbrook High School stadium in 2007 and began using the track and field in August of 2007. District staff requested an inspection of the stadium synthetic turf in August of 2013. At that time a representative from the FieldTurf Company performed a detailed inspection of the turf and pointed out several areas of abnormal or excessive wear. The company provided specialized grooming of the turf for the start of the school year as well as a number of seam repairs, all under the eight year warranty that accompanied the original installation. In early October, the senior vice-president for sales from FieldTurf visited the district. During his visit he made an offer to replace the entire stadium synthetic turf under the existing warrant.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS

Three options have been provided by FieldTurf for the district to consider.

- 1) Replace the turf with the same product as is currently on the field at no cost and with only one more year remaining on the warranty and no warranty extension, or
- 2) Replace the turf with an upgraded product Revolution 2.5" for \$175,000 plus tax and a new eight year warranty, or
- 3) Replace the turf with an upgraded product Classic HD 2.5" for \$175,000 plus tax and a new eight year warranty.

We believe the best option for the district is #2 replace the turf with the Revolution 2.5" product with the new 8 year warranty. This product is the latest available on the market and an independent test performed by Penn State University on the product shows it is extremely durable. A copy of the FieldTurf proposal and product brochures are included with this agenda.

The replacement project will take about four weeks, which makes it difficult to find a time when the field is not in use for that length of time. Further complicating the time requirement is the need to resurface the track, which also takes close to 4 weeks. After discussion with the principal and the athletic director, we think the best option will be to resurface the track this summer (2014) and replace the turf during the summer of 2015. During either project no one (students, staff, facility renters or community members) will be allowed in the stadium area as it will be a construction zone.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

On October 28, 2013 the Board of Trustees approved the Replacement, Renovation and Growth plan, which included funding for both the track resurface and the synthetic turf replacement. The turf replacement option #2 above will cost approximately \$190,000 for the turf plus tax. A

project contingency of 10% will also be set aside for unforeseen repairs needed to the subsurface. Original estimates for the turf replacement were \$500,000 so this project will come in significantly less than that amount.

ALIGNMENT WITH DISTRICT GOALS

District Goal VI states - The Fallbrook Union High School District will provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all students.

District Goal VIII states - The Fallbrook Union High School District will continue to seek opportunities for cost savings and economic efficiencies while providing a fiscally sound budget plan that both supports the district educational mission and provides for a stable reserve balance.

Replacing and upgrading the synthetic turf under the offer from the FieldTurf Company will help meet these goals by providing a new turf, accompanied by a new eight year warranty at a much reduced cost.

RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent recommends Board of Trustees accepts the proposal from FieldTurf Company and approves the stadium turf replacement project.

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Superintendent

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Re: Synthetic Field Replacement at Fallbrook High School

Dear Mr. Guajardo,

First, we would like to thank you for your patience during the field review period; it is greatly appreciated. We value your trust in our company, and we will do our best to meet your service expectations.

It has been determined that fiber on the field has failed. As discussed, and in accordance with the warranty issued at time of original purchase, **FieldTurf is offering three options** for replacement of the surface that will take place in 2014:

Original Duraspine design:

- 2.5 inch, 36 oz face weight, 3- layer 9.2 lb in-fill system, porous finger coated backing;
- Re use of some of the current field infill in the new field mid-layer.
- Original warranty remains in effect, and will not reset from the date of replacement.
- Same field layout to include all markings and logos.
- ❖ **Price: No Charge**

Special Upgrade Offer; one of the following products:

1. FieldTurf **REVOLUTION 2.5"**-

- Best polymer, new "ridged" blade design which eliminates weak points and improves resiliency, 40 oz face weight, 3-layer 9.2 lbs in-fill system, and porous finger coated backing. The testing completed on this fiber has proven to be far superior in terms of wear, resiliency, and feel to other fibers currently on the market. It is manufactured by FieldTurf, not a third party supplier.

❖ **Price: \$175,000.00 (Taxes and bonds are not included)**

2. FieldTurf **CLASSIC HD 2.5"**

- Slit-film synthetic turf system designed to consistently outperform competing slit-film yarns in the industry. Complete with a very strong polymer and the proper concentration of UV stabilizers, the thick design and precision cut pattern of the HD yarn reduces infill splash. Coupled with FieldTurf's patented, 3-layer, heavy infill system and state-of-the-art SureLock coating method, the FieldTurf Classic HD turf system has been designed to be the very a leading slit-film synthetic turf system in the industry with unparalleled player safety and turf drainage rates.

❖ **Price: \$175,000.00 (Taxes and bonds are not included)**

Both upgrade options include:

- Re use of some of the current field infill in the new field mid-layer.
- A new 8 year warranty will be in effect at completion of replacement.
- Same field layout to include all markings

Price Includes:

a) Re-grade existing aggregate operating base – import up to 50 ton of manufactured sand if required for minor base repairs

Price Does Not Include:

a) Replacement or modification to the existing perimeter nailer board
b) FieldTurf is not altering or improving the existing operating based under the existing turf limits. No removal of aggregate is included. Any ponding, flooding or undulations within the existing base will remain the responsibility of the owner.

FieldTurf requires a minimum of 21 days upon receipt of contract and final shop drawing approvals to manufacture; coordinate delivery and schedule arrival of installation crew.

We would require a 3-4 week window (subject to weather and force majeure) to complete the removal/recycle/disposal of existing product, confirm sub-base planarity and re-install each field. Please also note that some of the infill material used on the replacement fields will be re-used from your present fields. FieldTurf will supply any additional infill that will be required. This will allow for a minimum addition to any landfill site in the area and is in conformance with FieldTurf's Green initiative on recycling.

Fallbrook High School will receive field layouts showing the dimensions and the markings for the new surface for review; before manufacturing the new surfaces we will need written confirmation of the product option selected and that the field dimensions, markings and colors are satisfactory and approved for production. A formal sales agreement detailing your selection will be forwarded for execution and upon return receipt, production and installation will be scheduled at an agreed upon time frame.

FieldTurf appreciates your patience during the duration of our discussions surrounding your concerns and looks forward to our continued business relationship with Fallbrook High School. If we can provide any additional information, don't hesitate to contact me directly. Thank you for being a FieldTurf customer. We appreciate your business and we will continue to work hard to earn it. Please note this offer is valid for 30 days; let us know which option you choose so that we can work on scheduling and agreements.

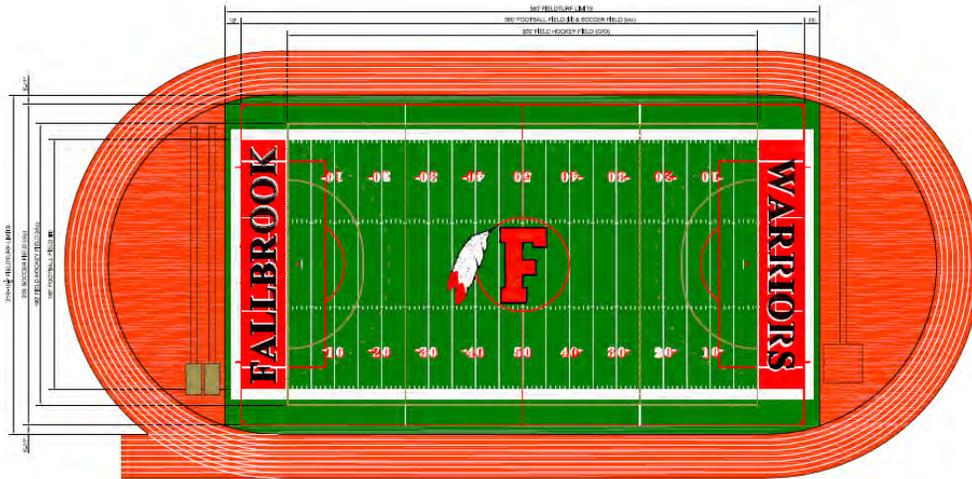
Let me know if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,



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DRAWN BY:	P.P.
CHECKED BY:	S.A.
SCALE:	1"=8'
FIELD AREA:	84,187 SQ FT



FALLBROOK HIGH SCHOOL
FALLBROOK, CA

SHEET 1 / 8 FIELD LAYOUT PLAN

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