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TO:	Parks & Recreation Committee
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FROM: Dean R. Gazza

DATE: 7/25/2022

RE: Action Item: Approve contract with Shade Systems for \$49,664.87 to purchase shade structures for Jones Park.

The 2021 carryover includes funding for shade structures within Jones Park. Two locations were identified that could accommodate structures to provide limited shading for spectators and users of the park.

Shade Systems was identified to provide the best overall solution. Their products are available for purchase on the HGAC government contract which is a cooperative purchasing program that provides competitive pricing to local governments and non-profits. These contracts are beneficial when there is only one local representative making it challenging to obtain multiple quotes.

The shades will be installed by a local contractor to be determined. Lead times on products are difficult to project, but it is anticipated that if we order in the near future, installation could occur in the fall.

Please contact me at 832-5572 or at <u>dean.gazza@appleton.org</u> with any questions.