



Engineering Services Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: 2/24/2026

AUD Water Loss 2026 Program Review and Analysis Additional Services

Department:	Utilities
Presenter:	Wes Byne, Director
Caption:	Approve supplemental funding in the amount of \$202,250.00 for Cavanaugh & Associates to perform a 2026 Program Review and Analysis of the Utilities Department's Water Loss Program (22AUA120)
Background:	<p>The Georgia Water Conservation Act requires that public water systems conduct water loss audits and implement water efficiency and loss detection programs beginning in 2012. Accordingly, Augusta Utilities conducts a Water Loss Program and submits an annual Water Audit and report to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD).</p> <p>Cavanaugh & Associates, P.A. is a respected state and national subject matter expert with extensive experience in developing and auditing programs regarding water loss for utilities. Cavanaugh is a member of the Georgia Water Loss Control Committee, which produced EPD's Georgia Water System Audits and Water Loss Control Manual. Cavanaugh also contributed to AWWA Manual M36 Water Audits and Loss Control Programs as a Technical Review Board Member and a Contributor to the 4th Edition.</p> <p>The Utilities Department contracted Cavanaugh in 2022 to perform third party testing, review, and analysis to improve our audit reporting and program processes. These recurring third party reviews are encouraged by EPD. Thus, Augusta Utilities turns to Cavanaugh to continue their services to perform the 2026 third party testing and review as detailed in their proposal.</p>
Analysis:	Cavanaugh works well with Augusta Utilities and has extensive experience with AUD's Water Loss Program. AUD requests supplemental funding for Cavanaugh to perform the 2026 Program Review and Analysis.
Financial Impact:	\$202,250.00
Alternatives:	No alternatives are recommended.
Recommendation:	Recommend approval of \$202,250.00 supplemental funding for Cavanaugh & Associates, P.A. to perform the 2026 Program Review and Analysis for the Utilities Department's Water Loss Program.
Funds are available in the following accounts:	506043110-5212999 / 82200050-5212999

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APPROVED BY:

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