



Meeting Name

Meeting Date: 8/13/2024

CO #1 Additional Funding for Grant Writing Services targeted at water and wastewater

Department:	Utilities Department
Presenter:	Wes Byne, Director
Caption:	Change order #1 request to approve funding for additional services to the Grant Writing Services targeted at water and wastewater (PO No. 23AUA153). (Approved by Augusta Commission May 2, 2023)
Background:	Augusta Utilities has been working with W.K Dickson & Company who currently providing grant-writing and funding identification services specifically targeted at funds for water and wastewater services. AUD has requested a scope modification to include environmental permit coordination and assistance in addition to the previous services of the engineering agreement.
Analysis:	Through the grant writing services provided by W.K. Dickson, Augusta has benefited from substantial funding opportunities, however as new opportunities come to light from federal funding resources they require environmental assessments and specialized expertise to apply and procure the funds. AUD has requested that W.K. Dickson provide a scope modification to provide these services, because they have qualified staff members who have the experience with the applications and environmental permitting processes.
Financial Impact:	Funding in the amount of \$105,000.00 is required to continue accomplishing these initiatives and should be transferred from fund 506 to the following accounts: 506043110-5213119
Alternatives:	No alternatives are recommended.
Recommendation:	Augusta Utilities Department recommends approving the amendment to the existing Engineering Services Agreement with W.K. Dickson & Company.
Funds are available in the following accounts:	Funds are available in the following accounts: 506043110-5213119
<u>REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:</u>	N/A