



Administrative Services

Meeting Date: 7/30/2024

Porter Fleming Foundation Grant Award for Tubman Monument

Department:	Office of the Administrator
Presenter:	Daniel Evans
Caption:	Motion to approve Risk Management to proceed with the repair/replacement of the Emily S. Tubman Monument, not to exceed \$150,000.00, and to accept the Porter Fleming Foundation Grant Award in the amount of \$25,000 for the same, authorizing the Mayor to sign related documentation and approve.
Background:	<p>The Emily S. Tubman Monument, a significant historical landmark in downtown Augusta, located on Greene Street, has needed repair and replacement due to damage incurred when it was struck by a vehicle in 2022. Recognizing the importance of preserving this monument, the Porter Fleming Foundation has generously awarded Augusta-Richmond County \$25,000 for its replacement and repair. Additionally, Augusta received insurance compensation in the amount of \$25,000 from the insurance company of the motorist that damaged the monument.</p> <p>The Porter Fleming Foundation aims to “contribute annually to the educational, literary, artistic, scientific, historical, musical, and cultural enrichment of the lives of the residents of the City of Augusta and the geographical area immediately adjacent thereto.”</p>
Analysis:	<p>Pricing to reproduce and set the monument has been quoted at \$133,234.00 by Southern Granite. Demolition and foundation work will be required and sourced separately. Once approval to move forward is received, the vendor will provide specifications for the foundation work needed, not anticipated to exceed the total allocated funds.</p> <p>The restoration of the Emily S. Tubman Monument will enhance the historical and cultural heritage of downtown Augusta, attracting both residents and visitors. This project aligns with our ongoing efforts to preserve and celebrate the rich history of our community. The Monument is planned to be returned to its location in the median of Greene Street between 6th Street and 7th Street (33° 28.352' N, 81° 57.848' W).</p>
Financial Impact:	Total not to exceed \$150,000.00
Alternatives:	N/A

Recommendation: Motion to approve Risk Management to proceed with the repair/replacement of the Emily S. Tubman Monument, not to exceed \$150,000.00, and to accept the Porter Fleming Foundation Grant Award in the amount of \$25,000 for the same, authorizing the Mayor to sign related documentation and approve.

Funds are available in the following accounts: \$25,000.00 from Recovery Fringe
\$25,000.00 from Grant Funds
\$100,000.00 from LATCF

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY: N/A