

## **Public Services Committee Meeting**

Meeting Date: January 31, 2023

Motion to approve entering into a lease agreement for Hickman Park

**Department:** Parks & Recreation Department

**Presenter:** Maurice McDowell

**Caption:** Motion to approve entering into a lease agreement for Hickman Park with the

Trust of Oakland Park as lessor.

**Background:** Hickman Park was established as "a park or public square" in 1859 and was

under a 99 year lease to the City since June 17, 1916. The lease since has expired and after an appointment of new trustees by the Superior Court of Richmond County, the trustees and Augusta Parks & Recreation have

negotiated a new lease to continue operations at the park.

**Analysis:** Hickman Park is a neighborhood park, located at 965 Hickman Road. Parks

& Recreation replaced the playground unit in 2018 and has additional funding allocated for park improvements. The lease agreement is needed to

ensure proper operation of the park.

**Financial Impact:** The annual rent for the lease is \$1.

**Alternatives:** 1. To approve entering into a lease agreement

2. To move to no action

**Recommendation:** 1. To approve entering into a lease agreement

Funds are available in 101-06-1323 - Hickman Park

the following accounts:

**REVIEWED AND** N/A

**APPROVED BY:**