

Public Services Committee Meeting Date: July 8, 2025 Emergency procurement for cemetery maintenance **Recreation and Parks Department: Presenter:** Tameka D. Williams Motion to receive as information an emergency procurement pursuant to Section 1-10-587 of the Augusta, Georgia Procurement Code for emergency maintenance work at municipal cemeteries by M&R Vaults in the amount of \$40,682.00. **Background:** As a result of Hurricane Helene, multiple municipal cemeteries in Augusta-Richmond County experienced significant disturbances, including disrupted ground coverings and displaced or disturbed grave monuments. These damages posed immediate health, safety, and operational risks to the public and necessitated urgent maintenance to prevent further deterioration and ensure safe public access. In accordance with Section 1-10-587 of the Augusta, Georgia Procurement Code, the Recreation & Parks Department initiated an emergency procurement and engaged M&R Vaults, a vendor with an established relationship with the department and demonstrated capacity for rapid response, to complete the required work. The emergency procurement was essential to restore the structural and aesthetic integrity of affected cemetery grounds, ensure uninterrupted access for families and funeral services, and protect public safety. The emergency work was completed for a total cost of \$40,682.00.

Financial Impact: Alternatives: N/A **Recommendation:** Receive as information the emergency procurement for cemetery maintenance services provided by M&R Vaults, in the amount of \$40,682.00, pursuant to Section 1-10-587 of the Augusta, Georgia Procurement Code.

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the following accounts: N/A **REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

Caption:

Analysis: