



Commission Meeting

Meeting Date: March 18, 2025

AO Blythe Mutual Aid Debris Removal

Department:	Engineering and Environmental Services
Presenter:	Dr. Hameed Malik, Director
Caption:	Motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Augusta, Georgia and the City of Blythe, Georgia Regarding Removal and Disposal of Debris related to Hurricane Helene.
Background:	At its October 15, 2024, meeting, the Augusta Commission approved an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Blythe. The IGA called for Augusta and its contractors to remove Hurricane Helene-related debris from roadways within the geographic boundaries of Blythe. The IGA stipulated that Augusta would conduct removal efforts for 90 days, after which Blythe would be responsible for the remaining debris. Augusta would have been eligible for FEMA reimbursement for its efforts on Blythe roads.
Analysis:	FEMA has requested that Augusta and Blythe execute a new mutual aid agreement for debris collection. The proposed agreement is retroactive to the start of debris collection. It allows Augusta to continue collecting debris on Blythe roads and in Blythe's parks through completion. Blythe will be responsible for seeking FEMA reimbursement for these activities. Blythe will reimburse Augusta for all costs incurred.
Financial Impact:	Blythe will reimburse Augusta for all expenses related to debris collection in Blythe, including any expenses not reimbursed by FEMA.
Alternatives:	
Recommendation:	Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Augusta, Georgia and the City of Blythe, Georgia Regarding Removal and Disposal of Debris related to Hurricane Helene.
Funds are available in the following accounts:	N/A
<u>REVIEWED AND</u>	N/A
<u>APPROVED BY:</u>	