



Commission Meeting

March 5, 2024

HCD_ Commercial Acquisition Process Approval Request

Department:	HCD
Presenter:	Hawthorne Welcher, Jr. and/or HCD Staff
Caption:	Motion to approve HCD's commercial acquisition process to include commercial units and vacant lots, as put forth via the attached flow chart.
Background:	<p>In 2008, the Augusta Commission passed legislation supporting community development in Laney Walker/Bethlehem. Since that time, the Augusta Housing & Community Development Department has developed a master plan and development guidelines for the area, set up financial incentive programs for developers and home buyers, selected a team of development partners to focus on catalytic change, and created a marketing strategy to promote the overall effort.</p>
Analysis:	<p>The submitted procedural process provides fluency and keeps the Augusta, GA Commission engaged and aware of Housing and Community Development's (HCDs) progress and projects.</p> <p>Approval of the proposed procedural process will enable continued redevelopment within the community.</p> <p>See Attached Flow Chart</p>
Financial Impact:	Without Commission Approval of a Commercial Acquisition Procedural Process, HCD will be unable to move forward with necessary development initiatives containing partnership or contractual elements.
Alternatives:	Do not approve HCD's Request.
Recommendation:	Motion to approve HCD's commercial acquisition process to include commercial units and vacant lots, as put forth via the attached flow chart.

Funds are available in Not Applicable
the following accounts:

REVIEWED AND Procurement
APPROVED BY: Finance
Law
Administrator
Clerk of Commission