



Commission Meeting

May 2, 2023

Ratify funding for diesel fuel required during the canal shutdown.

Department:	Utilities
Presenter:	Wes Byne
Caption:	Motion to ratify funding for diesel fuel required during the canal shutdown. (Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 25, 2023)
Background:	AUD was required to dewater the canal for several projects, including allowing Ga Power to place new power lines under the canal, repairing and inspecting the City's gate structures, and repairing a damaged section of canal embankment. During this time, AUD had to operate using the diesel pumps at the pumping station, which resulted in an overage of the diesel budget by approximately \$450,000.
Analysis:	Augusta's backup diesel pumps at the raw water pumping station consume substantial amounts of fuel to provide full water service to the City. The dewatering was required by FERC in anticipation of the work that was required, and was suspended several times to fully coordinate all activities to minimize overall costs to all parties involved. All projects were completely successfully and on-time.
Financial Impact:	Funding in the amount of \$450,000 was required to fund these initiatives and should be transferred from the fund 506 contingency to the following accounts: 506043510-5312720
Alternatives:	No alternatives are recommended
Recommendation:	AUD recommends ratifying these funds.
Funds are available in the following accounts:	Funds are available in the following accounts after transfer: G/L 506043510-5312720
<u>REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:</u>	N/A