



## Commission Meeting

Meeting Date: January 21, 2025

HH Debris Removal Monitoring Supplement 3

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<b>Department:</b>	Engineering and Environmental Services
<b>Presenter:</b>	Dr. Hameed Malik, Engineering and Environmental Services Director
<b>Caption:</b>	Approve supplement funding (supplement 3) in amount not to exceed \$1,478,143.46 for emergency procured Hurricane Helene Debris Removal Monitoring Services with Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood, Inc (GMC). Also approve use of General Fund fund-balance to fund these services.
<b>Background:</b>	Hurricane Helene passed through Augusta-Richmond (ARC) last week (September 26-27, 2024). Entire ARC services area was severely impacted. Hurricane strength winds caused significant trees and infrastructure damage. Emergency response was initiated immediately utilizing inhouse forces and contract services that are extension of Augusta Engineering Infrastructure Maintenance program. Given disaster magnitude, Augusta mobilized CERES under emergency contract for removal of debris from roadways. However, FEMA requires such removal shall be monitored and removed volume documented by a specialized monitoring firm. Hence, GMC was mobilized immediately, under Augusta Emergency Procurement policy, for debris monitoring. Augusta Commission approved this contract on September 30, 2024, and allocated previously not to exceed \$2,250,000.00 (initial & supplements 1 & 2) to cover cost of services. GMC reached utilization of current allocated \$2,250,000.
<b>Analysis:</b>	Continuity of ongoing debris removal is critical not only for road traffic safety but also public health & safety. Although, RFP for long term disaster debris monitoring is in letting, stopping on going debris removal monitoring contract services is not an option. In addition, GMC services provided as of 12/14/24, there is roughly \$975K cost overrun. Given projected burn rate by 12/31/24 & cover cost overrun amount, additional funds in amount of not to exceed \$1,478,143.46 be allocated for GMC to continue its emergency procured services.
<b>Financial Impact:</b>	Funds – General Fund fund-balance.
<b>Alternatives:</b>	N/A
<b>Recommendation:</b>	Discuss and approve path forward for HB581.
<b>Funds are available in the following accounts:</b>	N/A

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**APPROVED BY:**

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