

Engineering Services Committee

February 14, 2023 3305 Walton Way

Department: Engineering & Environmental Services

Presenter: Hameed Malik, Director

Caption: Approve Purchase of Real Property located in the City of Augusta, Georgia

commonly known as 3305 Walton Way to be funded by Engineering Stormwater Program Funds and authorized by the Mayor and Clerk of Commission to execute all necessary documents under the direction of

Augusta Law Department. Requested by Engineering.

Background: Lake Aumond is Category 1 Dam (Dam) over Rae's Creek and is a flood

control structure for minimizing flood risk to downstream properties. This

Dam is under regulatory jurisdiction of Georgia Safe Dam Program (Program). The Program requires regular maintenance and quarterly inspection of the Dam to monitor Dam integrity. The Dam outfall and emergency spillway channel lies in a parcel known as 3305 Walton Way (Parcel). This Parcel was recently sold to the adjacent property owner.

Change in ownership raises concern for further sale of the Parcel for potential site development. However, it is critical to ensure that land change at the

Parcel will not have a negative impact on the Dam operations and

maintenance. Augusta Engineering reached out to the Parcel owner to ensure its use will not impact the Dam operations. The Parcel owner showed

willingness to sell the Parcel to the Augusta, Georgia (City); that way the

City will can protect Dam downstream area.

Analysis: Purchase of the Parcel will enable the City to protect the Dam and ensure its

proper operation & maintenance. The Parcel owner is asking \$45,000 selling price. Per Engineering Land Acquisition staff, asking price is reasonable and in range of its recent sale. There is no additional maintenance cost since Augusta Engineering maintains this area as part of the Dam maintenance

requirements.

Financial Impact: Funds available in amount of \$45,000 available in Engineering Stormwater

Utilities Program.

Alternatives: No alternate proposed

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Funds are available in the following accounts:

(\$45,000) - 581044320-54.11110 - Stormwater Utility Funds

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