



Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: September 10, 2024

DEDICATION OF: HEARTHSTONE COMMOMS

FILE REFERENCE: 23-005(A)

Department:	Engineering & Environmental Services
Presenter:	Dr. Hameed Malik, Director
Caption:	Approve the deed of dedications, maintenance agreements, and road resolutions submitted by the Engineering Department and the Augusta Utilities Department for Hearthstone Commons.
Background:	<p>The final plat for Hearthstone Commons was approved by the Commission on March 15, 2022 . The subdivision design and plat for this section, including the storm drain system, have been reviewed and accepted by our engineering staff and the construction has been reviewed by our inspectors.</p> <p>The Utilities Department has inspected and reviewed the water and sanitary sewer installations, and hereby requests acceptance of the utility deed.</p>
Analysis:	<p>This section meets all codes, ordinances and standards. Portions of this subdivision lie within the 100-year flood plain and wetlands, which are noted on the final plat.</p> <p>Acceptance of said utility deed shall dedicate, as required, the water and sanitary sewer mains along with the applicable easements to Augusta, Georgia for operation and maintenance.</p>
Financial Impact:	<p>By accepting this road and storm drainage installations into the County system and after the 18-month maintenance warranty by the developer/contractor for the roads and storm drainage has expired, all future maintenance and associated costs will be borne by Augusta, Georgia.</p> <p>By acceptance of the utility deed and maintenance agreement, all future maintenance and associated costs for water and sanitary sewer installations will be borne by Augusta, Georgia, and positive revenue will be generated from the sale of water and sanitary sewer taps and monthly billing of same.</p>
Alternatives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approve the deed of dedication, maintenance agreement, and road resolutions submitted by the Engineering Department and Augusta Utilities Department for Hearthstone Commons.

2. Do not approve and risk litigation.

Recommendation: Approve Alternative Number One.

**Funds are available in
the following accounts:** N/A

**REVIEWED AND
APPROVED BY:** HM/WC