

Engineering Services Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: July 8, 2025

Hurricane Helene Debris Removal Monitoring Services-

Supplement Funding – Supplement 6

RFP: 24-916

File Reference: 25-014 (A)

Department: Engineering & Environmental Services

Presenter: Dr. Hameed Malik, Director

Caption: Approve supplement funding (supplement 6) in amount not to exceed

\$350,000.00 for Hurricane Helene Debris Removal Monitoring Services with Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood, Inc (GMC). Also approve use of General Fund

fund-balance to fund these services. AE/ 24-916

Background: Hurricane Helene passed through Augusta-Richmond (ARC) the last week in

(September 26-27, 2024). The entire ARC service 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 and GMC under emergency contract for removal & monitoring of debris from roadways and removal monitoring, simultaneous as required by FEMA for federal reimbursement of such expenses. In addition, Augusta, Georgia initiated request for proposals (RFP) to select disaster debris removal and monitoring contractors for continuity of services beyond the emergency contract period and similar services future needs. GMC was the selected firm based on RFP evaluation & selection criteria. On January 7, 2025, Augusta Commission awarded disaster debris monitoring services contract to GMC. GMC ongoing services under emergency contract transitioned to this new

contract effective January 1, 2025.

Analysis: FEMA requires disaster debris removal shall be monitored and removed

volume documented by a specialized monitoring firm. GMC is providing such monitoring services soon after Hurricane passed through ARC. GMC presently providing services under RFP 25-916. To cover cost of such services, current not to authorized amount is \$8,728,000.00. Debris removal is still ongoing and additions funds are needed for continuity of uninterrupted monitoring services. This supplement (supplement 6) addition brings not to exceed total amount

\$9,078,000.00.

Financial Impact: Funds – General Fund fund-balance. Reimbursement breakdown is: 75%

FEMA, 12.5% State, and balance 12.5% Augusta, GA has to cover.

Alternatives: N/A

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Funds are available in

the following accounts: ((\$350,000) General Fund Balance – 220-041252-52.21113/814000003-52.121113

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

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