



Commission Meeting

July 18, 2023

Augusta Rowing Club Relocation from Boathouse

Department:	Central Services
Presenter:	Director Ron Lampkin
Caption:	Motion to receive as information update on relocating Augusta Rowing Club from Boathouse. (No recommendations from Administrative Services Committee July 11, 2023)
Background:	Central Services staff meet with local engineering firm to review the location for the new structure for the Augusta Rowing Club at 298 Prep Phillips Drive. We are looking to add an 80' X 40' boat storage area with restroom and office to this location.

The anticipated permitting for the proposed Rowing Club Boathouse includes:

1. Augusta-Richmond County land disturbance permitting
2. Georgia NPDES general permit for construction (Erosion Control)
3. Potential Requirement: ARC/FEMA No-Rise Certification. This will be based on the location of the new facility from the floodway. Since the new structure will be below the levee, this will more than likely be required. This would need to be completed by a subconsultant.

No Georgia EPD state water buffer variance is anticipated since the intent is to impact the 25-foot state water buffer along the Savannah River. Due to being in the special flooding hazard area, the main usable space within the building (office, bathroom, etc.) will need to be 3 feet above the base flood elevation. From the ordinance, it seems possible to elevate this portion of the facility while maintaining the remaining structure at slab on grade provided that this area is noted strictly as unfinished for storage materials as the space will have to be designed to allow for flood waters to pass through.

Based on the current economic climate we anticipate the following cost for the facility:

1. Main Storage Building (80' X 40') 3,200 SF - \$85 per/SF = \$272,000.00

2. Restroom/Office (3' Above Base Flood) 500 SF - \$300 per/SF = \$150,000.00
3. Site Cost (Unknown Existing Utility Location) - \$50,000.00
4. Design and Permitting Cost (Excluding No-Rise) - \$50,000.00

Analysis: Central Services recommends that you receive this as information.

Financial Impact: There is no financial impact at this time. Possible impact could be \$522,000.00

Alternatives: (1) Receive as information.

Recommendation: Central Services recommends you receive as information.

Funds are available in the following accounts: N/A

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY: N/A