



Administrative Services Committee Services

Meeting Date: 07/29/2025

HCD_ Architectural Services Approval Request

Department:	Augusta, Ga. Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department
Presenter:	Charles Jackson (HCD Director) and/or HCD Staff
Caption:	Motion to approve Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) request to enter into a contractual agreement with Johnson, Laschober & Associates, P.C. for property architectural services for 2431 and 2433 Mt. Auburn Street.
Background:	<p>On March 10, 2023, the Sand Hills Community experienced a horrific incident with a fire breaking out at the Mt. Auburn Apts. Two units (2431 & 2433 Mt. Auburn) were destroyed, and two residents were displaced. Over the past year, HCD along with the Land Bank Authority has been going through the necessary processes to ensure that the insurance policy protocol would be covered. The two units have been boarded up since causing a slight eye sore in the community. These units were also affected by Hurricane Helene as the front exterior walls of the structure collapsed due to the high winds. HCD is now at a point to move forward with reconstructing the two units. An architect firm has been procured by HCD and Johnson, Laschober, & Associates, P.C. was selected. It is important that HCD move forward to bring the two two-bedroom units back on the market as there is a need for affordable housing. Johnson, Laschober & Associates, P.C. has agreed to assist in designing suitable plans to accommodate future tenants.</p>
Analysis:	<p>The approval of funding will allow HCD to continue to provide affordable, safe and decent rental housing to low to moderate income residents in Richmond County.</p>
Financial Impact:	<p>HCD will utilize funding HOME Investment Partnership funding to support the cost of services being provided in the amount of \$28,375.00.</p>

Alternatives: Do not approve HCD to enter into an agreement with Johnson, Laschober & Associates, P.C. for Architectural Services.

Recommendation: Motion to approve Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) request to enter into a contractual agreement with Johnson, Laschober & Associates, P.C. for architectural services.

Funds are available in the following accounts: Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Funds:
22107 3212 5225110

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