

## **Staff Report**

**Subject:** Utility Agreement with Georgia Power – Hodgeville Rd at Kolic Helmey Rd Roundabout

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**Department:** Procurement, Engineering

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**Item Description:** Consideration to approve a utility relocation agreement with Georgia Power for the Hodgeville and Kolic Helmey Road Roundabout Project.

**Summary Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of the agreement with Georgia Power for the Hodgeville and Kolic Helmey Road Roundabout Project.

### **Executive Summary / Background:**

Effingham County is planning construction of a roundabout at Hodgeville Road and Kolic Helmey Road (PI# L11781). Georgia Power has existing utility lines in the project area that conflict with the new design and must be relocated.

The total relocation cost is \$210,484. Based on easements dating back to 1945, Georgia Power has prior compensable property rights at the location. That means the County is responsible for 100% of the relocation cost.

Georgia Power will not begin work until the relocation agreement is approved. The cost estimate is valid for one year, and work must begin within six months of execution. Approving this agreement will keep the project on schedule.

### **Alternatives for Commission to Consider:**

1. Approve the Agreement with Georgia Power.
2. Deny the agreement and provide staff with guidance.

**Recommended Alternative:** 1

**Other Alternatives:** 2

**Department Review:** Engineering and Procurement

**Funding Source:** Capital Improvement Funds for the Roundabout

**Attachments:** GA Power utility relocation agreement