

<b>MEETING DATE</b>
11/17/2025

# CITY OF LAKE CITY

## Report to Council

COUNCIL AGENDA	
<b>SECTION</b>	
<b>ITEM NO.</b>	

**SUBJECT:**Wilson Street Cemetery Historic Preservation Grant

**DEPT / OFFICE:** Procurement

<b>Originator:</b> Angel Bryant		
<b>City Manager</b> Don Rosenthal	<b>Department Director:</b> Brenda Karr	<b>Date</b> 11/13/2025
<p><b>Recommended Action:</b> Request Approval to accept funds from the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources for the administration of \$50,000.00 for the restoration and maintenance of Wilson street cemetery.</p>		
<p><b>Summary Explanation &amp; Background:</b> The Abandoned African-American Cemeteries Grant is a state historic preservation grant program administered by the Florida Department of State's Division of Historical Resources. Its purpose is to help communities identify, protect, and preserve abandoned African-American cemeteries through competitive grants. Eligible "cemetery protection" projects for local governments like the City of Lake City can include repairing and restoring grave markers and funerary features; removing damaging vegetation; installing fencing, lighting, and security; developing preservation and management plans; and adding interpretive signage and markers for unmarked burials, all in line with national historic preservation standards. This grant was applied for the City by Gateway Grant Writing.</p>		
<p><b>Alternatives:</b> Not Accept funds.</p>		
<p><b>Source of Funds:</b> No matching required.</p>		
<p><b>Financial Impact:</b> None.</p>		
<p><b>Exhibits Attached:</b> Grant Application</p>		