



## WORK SESSION

November 28, 2022  
10:00 AM

Albany-Dougherty Government Center  
222 Pine Ave, Room 100, Albany, GA 31701

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### AGENDA

*To comply with the request set forth by the Chairman of Dougherty County, GA and the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding the Coronavirus (COVID19) pandemic and social distancing, face coverings (masks) are optional for all meeting participants.*

The public will also have access to the live meeting by accessing the Dougherty County Georgia Government Facebook page at [facebook.com/Dougherty.ga.us](https://facebook.com/Dougherty.ga.us) or viewing the public government access channel (Channel 16).

1. Call the meeting to order by Chairman Christopher Cohilas.
2. Roll Call.
3. Minutes.
  - a. Minutes of the November 7th Regular Meeting and November 14th Work Session.
4. Delegations (*The Commission will hear comments on those items pertaining to Dougherty County for which a public hearing has not been held or scheduled. Please be brief, to the point, and considerate of time for others.*)
  - a. William Wright, representative for AFRAM Tech, Inc. present to continue discussing an issue of unfair practices with the ARPA funding.
5. Purchases.
  - a. Recommendation to purchase one (1) John Deere 350P Excavator from state contract vendor Deere & Company (Cary, NC) for Public Works. The local vendor, Dobbs Equipment (formerly known as Flint Equipment) will be servicing the unit. The purchase price is \$366,161.37 with a proposed trade-in value of \$110,000 for Unit #511519. The actual cost will be \$256,161.37. Funding is budgeted in SPLOST VII-Storm Drainage Improvement. County Administrator Michael McCoy will address. Public Works Director Chuck Mathis and City of Albany Buyer Cory Gamble are present.

- b. Recommendation to purchase one (1) John Deere 300P Excavator from state contract vendor Deere & Company (Cary, NC) for Public Works. The local vendor, Dobbs Equipment (formerly known as Flint Equipment) will be servicing the unit. The purchase price is \$332,446.61 with a proposed trade-in value of \$80,000 for Unit #511450. The actual cost will be \$252,446.61. Funding is budgeted in SPLOST VII-Storm Drainage Improvement. Administrator Michael McCoy will address. Public Works Director Chuck Mathis and City of Albany Buyer Cory Gamble are present.
  
- 6. Additional Business.
  - a. Discussion of the proposed county priorities that will be presented to the State Legislative Delegation for the meeting on Tuesday, November 29, 2022. County Administrator Michael McCoy will address. **Action on this item is scheduled in the following Special Called Meeting.**
  - b. Review of the FY23 ARPA Budget in consideration of funding for the unbudgeted expense to make basketball court improvements at Robert Cross Park in the proposed budget amount of \$55,151.22. FY23 ARPA Contingency is the recommended funding source. County Administrator Michael McCoy will address. **Action on this item is scheduled in the following Special Called Meeting.**
  - c. Discussion of the County's adherence to the Fair Labor Standards Act and the payment of overtime. County Administrator Michael McCoy and County Attorney Alex Shalishali will address.
  
- 7. Updates from the County Administrator.
  
- 8. Updates from the County Attorney.
  
- 9. Updates from the County Commission.
  
- 10. Adjourn.

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## DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION

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## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 7, 2022

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on November 7, 2022. Vice Chairman Clinton Johnson presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Victor Edwards, Gloria Gaines, Russell Gray, Anthony Jones, and Ed Newsome. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, County Attorney Alex Shalishali, County Clerk Jawahn Ware, and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person and via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel. Chairman Christopher Cohilas was absent.

After the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance done by Commissioner Jones, the Vice Chairman called for approval of the minutes of the October 3<sup>rd</sup> Regular Meeting and October 10<sup>th</sup> Work Session.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Edwards, the minutes were unanimously approved.

The Vice Chairman recognized Mrs. Shirley Sherrod to receive a proclamation acknowledging the work, spirit and legacy of community activist Rev. Charles Sherrod. Commissioner Gaines acknowledged CB King's youngest son Clinton King. She shared heroic attributes relative to Charles Sherrod and Mrs. Sherrod thanked the Commission for honoring her late husband.

The Vice Chairman recognized William Wright, representative for AFRAM Tech, Inc. to continue discussing an issue of unfair practices with ARPA funding. Mr. Wright shared information on how contracts for minority businesses should be considered. He proposed creating jobs and wealth to better the community. He said that he will be back next week for further discussion.

The Vice Chairman called for a consideration to purchase one (1) John Deere 350P Excavator from state contract vendor Deere & Company (Cary, NC) for Solid Waste in the amount of \$466,682.70. The local vendor, Flint Equipment, now known as Dobbs Equipment, will be servicing the unit. Funding is budgeted in the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund. County Administrator Michael McCoy addressed. Solid Waste Director Campbell Smith and City of Albany Buyer Corey Gamble were present. Mr. McCoy recommended approval and representative Crisp Gatewood thanked the Commission for their services. He said that the company name has

changed from Flint Equipment to Dobbs Equipment, but the operational team and management will not change.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion. Under discussion, Commissioner Edwards wanted to know how often an excavator replacement is needed. Mr. Smith stated that it is determined by the years, hours and maintenance on the machine and the current one has been in service since 2012. There being no further discussion, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Vice Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the acceptance and execution of the Memorandum of Agreement with Albany Technical College on behalf of the Dougherty County Sheriff's Office authorizing assistance to each other during a local emergency.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-048 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND  
EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH ALBANY  
TECHNICAL COLLEGE ON BEHALF THE DOUGHERTY COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE AUTHORIZING ASSISTANCE TO EACH OTHER  
DURING A LOCAL EMERGENCY.

The Vice Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the agreement renewal option from December 4, 2022 to December 3, 2023 with an adjustment to the hourly rates based on the CPI-U Base Price Adjustment Calculation with Tetra Tech. The option is for the Professional Debris Monitoring Services for Disasters and Financial Recovery.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-049 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION  
OF THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL DEBRIS  
MONITORING SERVICES WITH TETRA TECH, INC.; REPEALING  
RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Vice Chairman called for consideration of the resolution declaring the listed vehicle as surplus and authorizing the disposal of or sale of same via an online auction.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-050 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION DECLARING AS SURPLUS THE  
ATTACHED LIST OF VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR  
DISPOSAL OF OR SALE OF SAME OF GOVDEALS.COM;  
REPEALING PRIOR RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES.

The Vice Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the acceptance and execution of the Memorandum of Understanding between ASPIRE Behavioral Health and Dougherty County Police Department to provide assistance with crisis responses. Dougherty County Police Chief Kenneth Johnson addressed. Chief Johnson said that the MOU was formed by Senate Bill 403 which established the CRT (Crisis Response Team). It will help prevent and deescalate behavioral issues with mental health patients and to provide them with stable services.

Commissioner Gaines moved for approval. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Under discussion, Chief Johnson clarified for Commissioner Jones that an ASPIRE counselor will accompany a police officer when encountering mental health patients. Commissioner Newsome asked when this would go into effect and Chief Johnson shared within the next 30 days. There being no further discussion, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-051 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF A  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN ASPIRE HEALTH &  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY AND DOUGHERTY COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
FOR PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR  
PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Commissioner Newsome gave kudos to Public Works and staff on the successful Radium Springs fall festival this past weekend. He also thanked County Administrator Michael McCoy for his hard work. Commissioner Edwards asked Mr. McCoy to ask the health inspector to provide an update on the rules and regulations for vendor trucks. Commissioner Gray echoed Commissioner Newsome's comments regarding the Radium Springs event. Commissioner Gaines wanted an update on the morgue project. Mr. McCoy shared that consultant Mr. Maskche has sent out information to vendors to obtain updated prices for the coolers. He plans to make a presentation

in the next 30 days. Commissioner Johnson asked about Open Enrollment for Commissioners and Mr. McCoy will provide an update.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK

DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION  
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

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November 14, 2022

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on November 14, 2022. Vice-Chairman Clinton Johnson presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Present were Commissioners Victor Edwards, Gloria Gaines, Anthony Jones and Ed Newsome. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, County Attorney Alex Shalishali, County Clerk Jawahn Ware and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel. Chairman Christopher Cohilas and Commissioner Russell Gray were absent.

The Vice-Chairman asked the Commission to review the minutes of the October 17th Regular Meeting, October 31st Work Session and October 31st Special Called Meeting.

The Vice-Chairman recognized Judge Willie Lockette to discuss the proposed renaming of the Dougherty County Judicial Building. Judge Lockette asked that the Board consider renaming the Dougherty County Judicial Building in honor of Judge Herbert Phipps. Judge Lockette provided an educational background on Judge Phipps and shared he served as a magistrate and state court judge and later became the first African American superior court judge. He also said that Judge Phillips served as the presiding judge of the Court of Appeals. He shared that all of the judges within the Judicial Building supported this proposal. Upon a question by Commissioner Gaines, Judge Lockette clarified that it is customary to name buildings after iconic individuals within state and federal guidelines. Mr. McCoy said that the County does not have a building name policy, so the Board is free to act on this request. If approved, two plaques will be done and the cost will be between \$70,000-\$80,000 for this project. It was shared that this will set a precedent and encourage the Board to adopt a building name policy. Mr. McCoy added that the cost will most likely come from the reserve funds.

The Vice-Chairman recognized Erica Potts, Interim HR Director, to provide an update on the County's compliance with the Fair Standards Labor Act and the complaint and grievance procedures. Mrs. Potts shared that there are two types of employees who are either nonexempt or exempt. Non-exempt employees are entitled to overtime pay and exempt employees are not entitled. She shared that HR staff visits the County departments to provide posters that contain state and federal laws. She mentioned two types of complaints: One is informal where employees can sit down with their immediate supervisor to discuss issues with the hope of a resolution. If verbal communication fails, then the complaints could advance the department manager. The second type of complaint is a formal complaint that requires an employee to provide written documents to the immediate supervisor with hopes of a potential resolution within 5 working days. If this fails, the same process is done with the department managers. If needed, the final authority to attempt to resolve the complaint would be the County Administrator. Commissioner Gaines was concerned about the County Administrator providing compensation pay to exempt employees and asked that the compensation policy be

forwarded to her. He shared that he would send an email to the Board with this information. Upon a question by Commissioner Gaines, Mr. McCoy shared that the funds provided for compensation pay normally come from the salaries of the numerous vacant position within the County.

The Vice-Chairman recognized William Wright, representative for AFRAM Tech, Inc. to discuss an issue of unfair practices with the ARPA funding. Mr. Wright said that he will come back to further discuss this on November 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Vice -Chairman called for a discussion of the zoning application for Vicente S. Sontay, owner and Lanier Engineering, Inc., applicant (22-074) requests special approval to construct a Religious Institution with the cemetery (Church) in a R-2 (Single-Family Residential District). The parcel is a 5.0-acre vacant parcel. The property is located at 1416 Nelms Rd. The Planning Commission recommended approval. Angel Gray, Planning Manager, addressed. The Public Hearing and Action are scheduled for November 21, 2022.

The Vice-Chairman called for a discussion of the zoning application for Ivy RV Park, LLC, owner and Joseph Jackson, the applicant (22-077) request special approval to construct a Recreational Vehicle Park in a C-8 (Commercial Recreation District). The parcel is a 4.195-acre vacant parcel. The property is located at 3420 Sylvester Rd. The Planning Commission recommended approval. Angel Gray, Planning Manager addressed. The Public Hearing and Action are scheduled for November 21, 2022. Ms. Gray also reminded the Commission that the special approval to operate a Women’s Recovery Center will be on the next Regular Meeting agenda for recommendation to approve.

The Vice-Chairman called for a discussion of the zoning variance approval process. County Attorney Alex Shalishali and Director of Planning and Development Services Paul Forgey were present to address concerns. This item was removed and will be placed in the next Work Session.

The Chairman called for a discussion of the board appointments. County Clerk Jawahn Ware was present to address.

Joint Board of Adjustments & Appeals – There are two appointments with a three-year term ending October 1, 2025. Incumbent Arwena Jones desires reappointment. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for one vacancy and all joint appointments must be ratified by the City of Albany.

Air Conditioning, Heating, & Ventilation Board – There are four appointments: one County, two joint and one rotational, all with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Incumbents Thomas Driggers (joint), Quianna Lavant (County), Clint Newsome (joint) and Clifford Tolbert (rotational) desire reappointment. There are no new applicants. All joint appointments must be ratified by the City of Albany.



Citizens Transportation Committee – There are two appointments with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025. Incumbent Sonja Johnson desires reappointment. Incumbent Dr. Surendra Pandey relocated outside of Dougherty County. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for one vacancy.

Economic Development Commission – There are three appointments with a two-year term ending December 31, 2024. Incumbents Lawrence Knighton and Matt Reed desire reappointment. There are two new applicants: Emmett Griswold and John Inman IV. There is one vacancy.

Electrical Board – There are five appointments: one County appointment for a Master Electrician, two joint appointments for an Electrical Supplier, one joint appointment for a Professional Engineer and one appointment for a joint citizen member, all with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Incumbent Sanford Hillsman (joint citizen member) desires reappointment. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for four vacancies and all joint appointments must be ratified by the City of Albany.

Fire Code Board of Appeals – There are four appointments with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025. Incumbent Rosal Malone desires reappointment. There was no response from incumbents Charles Mitchell and Zell Scott. Commissioner Jones informed the Board that incumbent Zell Scott has passed away. Incumbent Bruce Campbell does not desire reappointment. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for three vacancies.

Flood Plain Management Review Board – There are two appointments with a three-year term unexpired ending December 31, 2024. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for two vacancies.

Gas Board – There are three appointments: One County, one joint and one rotational all with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Incumbents Sanford Hillsman (county) and Rhett Parker (joint) desire reappointment. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for one vacancy and all joint appointments must be ratified by the City of Albany.

Golden Triangle RC & D Council – There are two appointments with a two-year term ending December 31, 2024. Incumbent Doug Wilson desires reappointment. Incumbent J. Douglas Porter relocated outside of Dougherty County. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for one vacancy.

Dougherty County Health Board – There is one appointment with a six-year term ending December 31, 2028. Incumbents Charles King Jr. desires reappointment. There are no new applicants.

Historic Preservation Commission – There are four appointments with a two-year term ending December 31, 2024. Incumbents Angela Cain Jones, Quianna Lavant and Kenneth Loudenberg desire reappointment. There is one new applicant: Will Davis. There is one vacancy.

Albany/Dougherty Hospital Authority – There are two appointments with a five-year term ending December 31, 2027. Incumbents Dorothy Hubbard and Sharon “Nyota” Tucker desire reappointment. There is one new applicant: Sheri Barlow.

Keep Albany Dougherty Beautiful – There are six appointments: five with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025, and one three-year unexpired term ending December 31, 2024. Incumbent J.D. Sumner, Lew Culpepper and Jay Smith desire reappointment. Incumbent Dennis Barthelemy and Lisa Harrell do not desire reappointment. KADB recommended the appointment of Jerry Goodman to replace Bryant Harden and fill an unexpired three-year term ending December 31, 2024. KADB recommended the appointment of Tomekia Cooper to replace Lisa Harrel and fill a three-year term ending December 31, 2025. KADB will advertise for one vacancy.

Library Board – There are two appointments with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025. Incumbents Dr. Brenda Hodges Tiller and Will Davis desire reappointment. There are three new applicants: Haryl Dabney, Genevieve Marcus and Joseph Stubbs. There is one vacancy.

Planning Commission – There are three appointments with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025. Incumbents Billy Merritt, Art Brown and Jimmy Hall Jr. desire reappointment. There are no new applicants.

Plumbing Board – There are three appointments with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Two County appointments must be a Master Plumber and one appointment represents a citizen member. Incumbents Lee Eppley (Master Plumber), Rhett Parker (Master Plumber) and Glenn Harris (Citizen Member) desire reappointment. There are no new applicants.

Retirement Fund Committee – There are two appointments with a four-year term ending December 31, 2026, one must be a retiree representative and one must be a citizen appointee. Incumbent Greg Rowe (retiree representative) desires reappointment. There are no new applicants. The County will re-advertise for one vacancy. Commission Chairman makes all appointments.

Southwest Georgia Community Action Council – There is one appointment with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Incumbent Glenn Tyler Harris desires reappointment. There is one new applicant: Haryl Dabney.

Southwest Georgia Housing Task Force – There is one appointment with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Incumbent Sonya Johnson desires reappointment. There are no new applicants.

Southwest Georgia Regional Commission – There are three appointments: one County, one joint and one Chairman designee (appointee must be a Commissioner) all with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Incumbents Raymond Breaux (County) and Anthony Jones (Chairman designee) desire reappointment. Incumbent Casawn-Lhuillier Yheyeis resigned from the Commission. There is one vacancy and all joint appointments must be ratified by the City of Albany. The Chairman will appoint his designee.

Tax Assessors Board – There is one appointment with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025. Incumbent William Ashberry desires reappointment. There is one new applicant: Rhonda Stewart.

Voter Registration and Elections – There is one appointment with a two-year term ending December 31, 2024. Incumbent Frederick Williams desires reappointment. There are two new applicants: Dr. Jacob Clawson and Alvin “Al” Hatcher.

Mr. McCoy reminded the Board that the onboarding session will be held on today at 1:30 pm. Commissioner Edwards asked that handrails be placed at the bottom of the Radium Springs bridge. Mr. McCoy said that he would evaluate this request for safety reasons and to make sure that it is open for public access. Commissioner Gaines asked if we still recognized individuals that served on the various boards for Dougherty County. Mrs. Ware responded yes and informed her that we follow up with plaques and certificates.

There being no further business to discuss the Commission the meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK



**PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATION**

DATE: November 2, 2022

TITLE: Public Works 350P Excavator  
REFERENCE NUMBER: N/A  
OPENING DATE: N/A  
BUYER: Corey Gamble

DEPARTMENT: Public Works  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 425025063  
BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$350,000.00  
DEPARTMENT CONTACTS: Russell  
Allenbaugh

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Joshua Williams, Interim Procurement Manager

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommend the purchase of one (1) John Deere 350P Excavator from Deere & Company for a total expenditure of \$366,161.37.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The John Deere 350P Excavator will be purchased from Deere & Company for \$366,161.37 utilizing an existing Ga State Contract #99999-001-SPD0000177-0023, due to a lack of inventory available in the market. The local vendor, Flint Equipment Co., will be the servicing vendor for the unit. The new excavator will need to be placed in the order bank and has an estimated delivery time of 4-5 months. This unit will be replacing unit #511519, a seven (7) year old unit that is passed its lifecycle. Staff also recommends the trade in of unit #511519 to Deere & Company, for a value of \$110,000.00 after delivery of the new unit.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ACTION:**

APPROVED

DISAPPROVED

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**COMMENTS:**

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11-23-22  
DATE

[Signature]  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**List of Documents Attached:**



**PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATION**

DATE: November 2, 2022

TITLE: Public Works 300P Excavator  
REFERENCE NUMBER: N/A  
OPENING DATE: N/A  
BUYER: Corey Gamble

DEPARTMENT: Public Works  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 425025063  
BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$250,000.00  
DEPARTMENT CONTACTS: Russell  
Allenbaugh

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Joshua Williams, Interim Procurement Manager

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommend the purchase of one (1) John Deere 300P Excavator from Deere & Company for a total expenditure of \$332,446.61.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The John Deere 300P Excavator will be purchased from Deere & Company for \$332,446.61 utilizing an existing Ga State Contract #99999-001-SPD0000177-0023, due to a lack of inventory available in the market. The local vendor, Flint Equipment Co., will be the servicing vendor for the unit. The new excavator will need to be placed in the order bank and has an estimated delivery time of 4-5 months. This unit will be replacing unit #511450, an eight (8) year old unit that is passed its lifecycle. Staff also recommends the trade in of unit #511450 to Deere & Company, for a value of \$80,000.00 after delivery of the new unit.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ACTION:**

APPROVED

DISAPPROVED

HOLD

**COMMENTS:**

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11-23-22  
DATE

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**List of Documents Attached:**

Staff Recommendations

# LOCAL PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR STATE FUNDING

**\$1.5 million**

## Radium Springs Amphitheater

Event space for concerts, plays and other outdoor entertainment to be located near the Flint River in historic Radium Springs. This added amenity will further enhance the utilization of the recently restored Radium Springs and approximately four-mile trail system funded by an estimated \$1.2 million from the state.

**\$200,000**

## Intergenerational Facility Feasibility Study

Funding to study the need, location, costs and design of an Intergenerational Facility. This facility would house senior and youth services to include, but not be limited to, an outdoor walking track, swimming pool, splash pad, computer room, pickleball courts, meeting space, and more.

**\$2 million**

## Multi-Use Trail Segment Downtown to Chehaw

Funding would permit the development of the approximately 1.1 mile Chehaw Connector Trail segment beginning at the northern end of the existing Riverfront Trail at Cox Landing Park, providing connectivity to Chehaw Park from downtown Albany. This would also extend the existing Riverfront Trail, which is a three-mile multi-use path running from downtown Albany north to Cox Landing - a plus for Chehaw attraction.

**\$2.5 million**

## County Park Improvements

Funding is needed to analyze, identify, repair and expand existing Dougherty County Parks. This funding will allow us to implement critical life safety repairs, explore new recreational trends, such as pickleball, disc golf and dog parks. As we anticipate future growth in Dougherty County, we would like to create a masterplan to prepare for our future.

# STATEWIDE ACCG POLICY OBJECTIVES

Item 6a.

## EMS Medicaid Reimbursement

ACCG encourages the Governor and General Assembly to adjust the current Medicaid funding mechanism for EMS by:

1. Allowing the first 10 miles of ambulance transport to be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement.
2. Increasing the EMS Medicaid rate to the rural and urban Medicare rate.
3. Utilizing EMS License fees to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for ambulance services

## LMIG Program Funding

ACCG asks the Governor and General Assembly to appropriate funding, from emergency funds or other sources, based on what would have been collected had the state motor fuel excise tax not been suspended - a hold harmless clause.

## Mental Health Reform

Counties are often on the front line in the effort to assist those with mental illness and substance abuse challenges. Adequate funding is needed for counties to properly address the magnitude of this challenge.

## Assume Full Financial Responsibility for State Prisoners

Counties are often on the front line in the effort to assist those with mental illness and substance abuse challenges. Adequate funding is needed for counties to properly address the magnitude of this challenge.

## LOST Renegotiations

Although LOST renegotiations occur once every ten (10) years, they are often contentious and pit counties and cities against one another. The difficulty encountered in these negotiations hurts county-city relationships, which is not good for constituents of either group. ACCG asks the General Assembly to create a study committee on LOST negotiations to determine a way to resolve these issues when an impasse is reached and to make the negotiations less contentious by providing additional guidance.

## Public Notification of Tax Increase

With property taxes being the largest revenue source for counties and inflation increasing substantially, it is nearly impossible for counties to keep up with inflation in their expenses without receiving some inflation from their largest revenue source. Counties must spend more money now to provide the same level of services due to inflation. ACCG urges the General Assembly to adjust the formula for the rollback rate to allow counties to capture inflation



**ARPA APPROVED FY23 BUDGET**

FY23

Revenues:

Tranche 1 Carry Forward	\$ 2,014,755.55
Tranche 2	\$ 8,542,211.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 10,556,966.55</b>

FY23

Expenditures:

<u>Tranche 1 Carry Forward</u>	
Mobile Library & Supplies	\$ 400,000.00
Health Dept Mobile Clinic & Supplies	\$ 400,000.00
Albany Rescue Mission	\$ 54,000.00
Public Safety Vehicles	\$ 300,000.00
Consultants	\$ 350,000.00
HR Computer Software	\$ 53,552.00
Contingencies	\$ 457,203.55

Total Tranche 1 Carry Forward Expenditures \$ 2,014,755.55

Tranche 2

Park Maintenance and Equipment	\$ 270,000.00
Technology	\$ 418,529.00
Dougherty County Board of Health	\$ 855,000.00
Aspire Behavioral Health	\$ 130,114.00
COVID PPE & Supplies	\$ 77,950.00
FY23 Spending Plan Additions	\$ 6,790,618.00
<b>Total Proposed Tranche 2 Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 8,542,211.00</b>

**Total Tranche 1 Carry Forward & Tranche 2 Proposed Expenditures** **\$ 10,556,966.55**



<b>Robert Cross Basketball Court Improvements</b>						
<b>Basketball Court Resurfacing</b>						<b>\$28,750.00</b>
Costs include all prep work as follows.						
Apply two coats of sand-filled acrylic resurface over the entire playing area.						
Apply two coats of sand-filled acrylic color coatings over the entire playing area.						
Apply two sets of basketball stripes in accordance with regulations.						
All labor is included.						
<b>Bleachers</b>						<b>\$10,541.22</b>
6 -3-row aluminum bleachers at \$1,756.87 each						
<b>Concrete pads for bleachers</b>						<b>\$13,365.00</b>
6 - 10 ft. x 20 ft. x 4 inch deep concrete pads for the bleachers						
All labor costs for concrete work included						
This price also includes the concrete pads for the player benches.						
<b>Concrete pads for existing player benches</b>						<b>\$2,495.00</b>
4 - 6 ft. x 10 ft. x 4 inch deep concrete pads to be recessed to ground level						
to accommodate the existing player benches.						
<b>Painting of the basketball goals, rims and post</b>						<b>\$2,495.00</b>
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>						<b>\$55,151.22</b>

**McCoy, Michael**

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**From:** McCoy, Michael  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 8, 2022 2:57 PM  
**To:** Victor Edwards  
**Subject:** RE: Compensation for Exempt Employees @ Fall Festival

Commissioner- Please disregard. Email was forwarded to you in error. Was trying to send Mr. Norman's follow up email to your inquiry regarding 815 and 901 James Cross Rd.. I'll send the correct email shortly. Thanks.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: "McCoy, Michael" <MMcCoy@dougherty.ga.us>  
 Date: 11/7/22 4:48 PM (GMT-05:00)  
 To: Victor Edwards <vees70@yahoo.com>  
 Subject: FW: Compensation for Exempt Employees @ Fall Festival

Fyi

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: "Mathis, Chuck" <CMathis@dougherty.ga.us>  
 Date: 11/7/22 12:02 PM (GMT-05:00)  
 To: "McCoy, Michael" <MMcCoy@dougherty.ga.us>  
 Cc: "Dyes, Benita" <BDyes@dougherty.ga.us>, "Johnson, Kenneth" <KeJohnson@dougherty.ga.us>  
 Subject: Compensation for Exempt Employees @ Fall Festival

Mr. McCoy, as per our conversation on Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup>, I want to thank you your consideration of compensating the "Exempt Staff Workers" who came in and worked (without taking breaks) on Saturday's Fall Festival Event @ Radium Springs to make it the success that it was intended to be. Everyone really appreciates your support of all we do.

Thanks again,

**[Chucky Mathis](#)**

*Public Works Director*

*Dougherty County Public Works Department*

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## **Public Works FY 2023 Overtime**

**Budget Total**

58,200.00

**YTD Expenditures**

8,526.86

**Total OT Paid to Managers**

2,646.92

A total of five Managers were paid OT  
for their work on the day of the  
Fall Festival.