



Fulton County

Legislation Text

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Department

Real Estate and Asset Management

Requested Action *(Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.)*

Request approval of Make-Ready Program agreement with Georgia Power Company to install and maintain ET Infrastructure at the County owned and controlled real property located at 1332 Metropolitan Parkway, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30310 to support Fulton County's installation of electric vehicle charging stations. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Requirement for Board Action *(Cite specific Board policy, statute or code requirement)*

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. & 36-10-1 all official contracts entered into by the County governing authority with other persons on behalf of the County shall be in writing and entered on its minutes.

Strategic Priority Area related to this item *(If yes, note strategic priority area below)*

Infrastructure and Economic Development

Commission Districts Affected

- All Districts ☐
- District 1 ☐
- District 2 ☐
- District 3 ☐
- District 4 ☐
- District 5 ☒
- District 6 ☐

Is this a purchasing item?

No

Summary & Background *(First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.)*

: In 2019, the County and Southface executed a \$300,000 grant agreement with the Southeast Sustainability Directors Network (SSDN) over the period of 2020-2022 to plan, design and implement the County's first Community Resilience Hub at Metropolitan Branch Library and improve the facility to function as a temporary emergency operations center and a daily resource center promoting a high level of community resiliency and sustainability to climate and social hazards and disruptions. A significant part of this program is the installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations at the Metropolitan Branch Library. Georgia Power has received authorization from the Georgia Public Service Commission to implement the Electrification of Transportation Initiative Program in order to study the impacts of electric transportation on the electric grid and evaluate associated costs to assist customers in their

transition to electric transportation (the “Make-Ready Program”). Georgia Power has reviewed and accepted Fulton County’s Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure plan and request to participate in the Make-Ready Program. Participation in the Make-Ready Program would allow Fulton County to offset certain capital investments that would otherwise be required in order for the County to install certain secondary electrical infrastructure necessary to support the Electric Vehicle Charging Project (the “Project”). Georgia Power has the materials, services, labor, and professional expertise necessary to install and maintain the ET Infrastructure at the County owned and controlled real property located at 1332 Metropolitan Parkway, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30310 (the “Premises”) and is willing to install and maintain the ET Infrastructure at the Premises. The Make-Ready agreement supports the tasks described in the Scope of Work related to project management, fiscal agency and management, and the installation, and maintenance of the ET Infrastructure. This proposed agreement is being entered into to formalize the parties’ responsibilities during the installation and maintenance phase of the project and, before execution by the Chairman, the County Attorney will approve the contract and any related documents as to form and make modifications thereof to protect the County’s interests.

Scope of Work: Under the agreement, within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date, Georgia Power will deliver to the Premises the secondary electrical infrastructure and associated metering equipment that Georgia Power deems reasonably necessary to support the Project (the “ET Infrastructure”). The ET Infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, secondary electrical infrastructure behind the meter to support electric transportation equipment charging, and does not include items such as charging devices, painting, branding, stenciling, network, warranty, or maintenance of charging devices. Georgia Power will collect data associated with the Project in order to evaluate the Make-Ready Program. Within sixty (60) days of selection of the third-party installer approved by Georgia Power, the County will issue a notice to proceed for installation of the Project as identified in the County’s plan. The ET Infrastructure will be installed at the Premises in the locations identified by the County and will be incorporated behind the meter within portions of County’s electrical system. Georgia Power will retain all rights, title, interest, and ownership in and to the ET Infrastructure and said infrastructure will not considered a fixture attaching to the County’s Premises.

Community Impact: This agreement for the installation of the ET Infrastructure at the Community Resilience Hub at Metropolitan Branch Library will improve the community resiliency and adaptive capacity and reduce vulnerability to climate change and social disruptions experienced by low-income, under-resourced communities of color in the County.

Department Recommendation: The Department of Real Estate and Asset Management recommends approval of this agreement to ensure that the County fulfills its responsibilities under the Electric Vehicle Charging plan and completes the Project scope of work and deliverables by the end of 2022, improves County and community resiliency, and makes progress on goals of the Sustainability and Resilience Plan.

Project Implications: The Project will be the County’s first installation of public access Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. The County will make additional progress on priority areas and goals in the Sustainability and Resilience Plan and deliver on the scope of work in the executed SSDN grant agreement. It will also improve the sustainability and resiliency of under-resourced and vulnerable communities in the County as well as County assets and serve to inform the County’s knowledge and experience of implementing Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. The Project supports several Priority Areas and goals of the Sustainability and Resilience Plan. Priority Area 1: Sustainability is Climate Change Mitigation and goals of reducing energy use and offsetting electricity demand and carbon dioxide emissions are supported by the Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. Priority Area 5: Sustainability is Fostering Partnerships for Plan Implementation is supported via internal and external partnerships with the Library System, Southface, Wood PLC, Cherry Street Energy, West Atlanta Watershed Alliance, Partnership for Southern Equity, Georgia Power, Urban Sustainability Directors Network, Neighborhood Planning Units and Associations, and more. Priority Area 6: Sustainability is Budgetary Appropriation for Plan is supported by the offset certain capital investments by participation in the

Make-Ready Program

Community Issues/Concerns: None

Department Issues/Concerns: If the agreement is not approved, the County and Department will be unable to complete the design and implementation of the Community Resilience Hub Project at Metropolitan Branch Library and the project deliverables by December 31, 2022 as agreed upon and executed by the County and Southface in the SSDN Grant Award Contract. Additionally, the Department's ability to address the goals of the Sustainability and Resilience Plan will be impaired.

Agreement Attached:

Yes.

Georgia Power Company Electric Vehicle Charging Make-Ready Program Agreement

Fiscal Impact / Funding Source:

No impact on County finances or budget.