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Murphree Water Treatment Plant Administration Building Renovation (B)

****This item is for informational purposes.****

The Murphree Water Treatment Plant (MWTP) became the centerpiece of GRU's drinking water treatment in 1975. The MWTP serves approximately 200,000 people in the City of Gainesville and surrounding area. This facility has historically hosted tours from many community groups to educate citizens on the drinking water supplied to our distribution system. In 2019, GRU embarked on a risk assessment of our water assets as required by America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA). Several security improvements were identified at MWTP. These project improvements are driven by both safety and security concerns with the administration building where most employees are housed and visitors are hosted.

In 2020, GRU staff began the design for upgrades to the MWTP Administration Building. Donnelly Architecture and Foresight Construction were identified to participate on this project given their history of successfully working together on other building projects at MWTP. Upgrades planned for the facility include replacement of doors and associated security provisions to increase the security of the treatment plant as recommended by the AWIA assessment. The work also includes replacement of failing floor and wall finishes as well as improvements to meeting and gathering spaces. This project will also capitalize on educational opportunities to showcase how GRU provides clean, safe, and reliable drinking water to our community.

The cost of construction is \$1,614,634.23 and will be accomplished in FY22 and FY23. This project is accounted for in the current Water Fund Budget for FY22 and FY23.

The City Commission approved the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) agreement under contract 2018-074-B with Foresight Construction for Construction Manager at Risk services at their August 4, 2022 meeting. Staff requests that the UAB hear the presentation for information purposes.