City Council Agenda Item Request
Submit to Clerk's Office
No later than 30 days before proposed Council meeting

1. **Date submitted to Clerk's Office:** 8/7/2025

2. **Primary contact person and Department requesting agenda item:** Pete Wall, Parks & Recreation Assistant Director

3. **Requested Council meeting date:** 8/26/2025

4. **Subject:** Contract with Herc Rentals, Inc., Parks & Recreation Hurricane Helene replacement fleet rentals

5. **Action Requested:** Adoption of a resolution to ratify the City's contract with Herc Rentals, Inc., for the provision of Parks & Recreation operations vehicles damaged by Tropical Storm Helene.

6. **Note if time sensitive, and why:** Yes, to enter a contract in FY26 to fund fleet rental vehicles.

7. **Potential fiscal impact(s) - if known by staff at time of request:** The total cost of this contract through FY26 is $650,000; The contract is expected to be fully paid from Parks & Recreation FY26 operating budget.

8. **Identify all vendor outreach for Minority & Women Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE).**
    - Outreach and engagement followed the City's Asheville Business Inclusion policy. This entailed following the public bid process and working with and obtaining the approval of the ABI Review Committee.
    - The City received submissions from the following contractors:
        i. HERC Rentals,
        ii. Monmouth Solutions
    - In the proposals submitted, there were no minority or woman owned businesses.
    - The contractor was selected based on the lowest responsive/responsible bid.

9. **Identify all Boards, Commissions and Council Committees with tentative dates - add in the vote and recommendation from each Board:** None

10. **Identify key issues:**
    - In late September, the City of Asheville experienced unprecedented rainfall both from Tropical Storm Helene and a predecessor heavy rain event. A state of emergency covering Asheville was declared on September 25th in relation to Tropical Storm Helene.
    - Flooding of the Swannanoa River rose to levels that destroyed the Parks Operations Facility and Fleet, located at 81 Thompson Street.
    - The damage caused by Helene required an immediate response by the City to secure public safety, provide aid to the community, and secure public infrastructure.
    - The City of Asheville plans to contract with Herc Rentals, Inc. to address the needed fleet until permanent vehicles can be acquired.
    - The City plans to return rental fleet vehicles once permanent replacements are procured using FEMA Public Assistance and CIP funding.