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:** July 7, 2025

2. **Primary contact person and Department requesting agenda item:** Pamela Irvin, Water Resources

3. **Requested Council meeting date:** July 29, 2025

4. **Subject:** Ratification of a contract with Fayetteville Public Works Commission to provide mutual aid during the recovery process after Tropical Storm Helene

5. **Action Requested:** Resolution ratifying a contract with Fayetteville Public Works Commission to provide mutual aid during the recovery process after Tropical Storm Helene

6. **Note if time sensitive, and why:** To ensure that safe drinking water was restored to the City of Asheville

7. **Potential fiscal impact(s) - if known by staff at time of request:** The total cost of this contract is $342,321.57, and it is expected that 100% of this expense will be reimbursed by FEMA.

8. **Identify all vendor outreach for Minority & Women Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE).** NA, Federally Funded

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.
    - Heavy rain and flooding reduced the ability of the North Fork Reservoir, William Debruhl and Mills River Water Treatment Plants to produce and treat water. It also heavily damaged the infrastructure of the Water System.
    - Mutual aid was requested to assist with repair of the water system to be able to provide water to the City of Asheville.
    - This aid was provided based on a mutual aid agreement through the NCWater Warn System.