

will allow the County to continue to provide Functional Family Therapy (FFT) services through the Juvenile Courts. This funding will serve 60 youth during the class of 2025 cycle. Mr. Tye further stated the request is for the Commission's approval to authorize the Chairman to sign the grant documents including a Memorandum of Understanding to continue using Evidence Based Associates as the program manager. Vice Chairman Marshall asked what percentage of the families are single parent families versus families with both parents? Chairman Slaughter stated Mr. Tye will get the information for him. Vice Chairman Marshall stated that a lot of studies show that those who have both parents in the household, tend to have better outcomes. Chairman Slaughter stated we have come to realize from a social standpoint that single parents have not only the challenges of being a single parent, but the rearing of children makes it even more challenging. Mr. Tye stated he thinks that one of the things that makes this program so important, is that it provides an extra tool that helps single parent households. Chairman Slaughter asked Mr. Tye to ask the Juvenile Court about the statistics for Vice Chairman Marshall. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to approve the item as presented, Commissioner Wisenbaker second. All voted in favor, no one opposed, motion carried.

Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement Between Lowndes County and the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency

Emergency Management Director, Ashley Tye, presented the item. Mr. Tye stated the current Statewide Mutual Aid Assistance Agreement expired in March and this is a continuation of that agreement for the next four years. He further stated there are no substantive changes to the agreement. Mr. Tye went on to mention that this is just a mechanism that will allow us to receive reimbursement should it become available if we provide aid or receive aid from another government organization. Commissioner Griner made a motion to approve the item as presented, Vice Chairman Marshall second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Acceptance of Infrastructure for SetterPointe Subdivision Phase 3

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated SetterPointe Subdivision Phase 3 is located in the western portion of Lowndes County, off of Old Quitman Hwy and includes 21 lots. Mr. McLeod further stated staff has made the final inspections of the construction, and all construction and paperwork have been completed. Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to approve the item as presented, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

TIA Supplemental Agreement for Hightower Road/Cooper Road NE Paving and Drainage Improvements, P.I. 0016276

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated the original agreement with the TIA Office has a not to exceed amount of \$3,750,000.00, and the project went over by \$102,417.03. Mr. McLeod further stated this is a Supplemental Agreement from the TIA Office to cover the cost. Commissioner Griner made a motion to approve the item as presented, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Acceptance of the VAWA Competitive Grant Award for 2024

Chairman, Bill Slaughter, presented the item. Chairman Slaughter stated the Commission heard from Victim Services Director, Karen Hayes at the work session yesterday morning, April, 22, 2024. He further stated any questions from the Commission at this time should be redirected to County Manager, Paige Dukes. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to accept the grant award and authorize the Chairman to sign the documents, Commissioner Wisenbaker second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.