

There came on for consideration at a duly constituted meeting of the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, held on the 22nd day of April, 2014, the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP) FUNDING FOR COURTHOUSE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND COMMITTING THE NECESSARY NON-FEDERAL MATCH FOR THE PROJECT AND STATING THE ASSURANCE OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT TO ACTIVATE THE PROJECT IN FY 2014 AND BEGIN CONSTRUCTION BY FY 2016

WHEREAS, the City of Gulfport (hereinafter referred to as “Applicant”) submitted an application to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization (hereinafter referred to as “MPO”) for funding from the federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) for the Courthouse Road Improvements Project (hereinafter referred to as “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project (scope of work attached as Exhibit “A”) is expected to have a total cost of up to three million three hundred fifty four thousand four hundred fifteen and no/100 dollars (\$3,354,415) with the City’s matching share totaling up to \$670,883.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO serves as the MPO for the Gulfport-Biloxi, and Pascagoula, Mississippi, urbanized areas; and

WHEREAS, Gulf Regional Planning Commission (hereinafter referred to as “GRPC”) serves as the administrative agency for the Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO; and

WHEREAS, GRPC administers Surface Transportation Program Funds (hereinafter referred to as “STP”) to the local jurisdictions within the MPO’s designated urbanized area and under the guidance and direction of the Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO’s Technical Coordinating Committee and the Transportation Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, the MPO’s Transportation Improvement Program (hereinafter referred to as “TIP”) Handbook describes the policies and procedures for the development of the TIP; and

WHEREAS, GRPC will review and evaluate the Project based on goals set by Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO and rank against other projects submitted for funding consideration; and

WHEREAS, the commitment of local matching funds of at least 20% is required for STP funding as is commitment to certain dates for the commencement and completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, STP funding is limited and any cost increase cannot be expected to be funded with STP funds; and

WHEREAS, STP funded projects must comply with the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) Project Development Manual for Local Public Agencies.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

Section 1. That the matters, facts and things recited in the Preamble hereto are hereby adopted as the official findings of the Governing Authority.

Section 2. That the City of Gulfport, as Applicant, is authorized to execute and file project documents, through the proper and appropriate agencies, accepting funding under the Surface Transportation Program (STP) in an amount of up to three million three hundred fifty four thousand four hundred fifteen and no/100 dollars (\$3,354,415).

Section 3. That, if approved for funding, Applicant will provide up to six hundred seventy thousand eight hundred eighty three and no/100 dollars (\$670,883.00) in non-federal matching funds (i.e., an amount at least 20% of the grant amount).

Section 4. That if approved for funding, Applicant understands that, pursuant to applicable rules and regulations, it must commence the project during FYE 2014 and complete the Project during FYE 2016, which dates will be reflected in the application for funding authorized herein.

Section 5. That this Resolution be, and it is hereby ordered to be spread on the minutes of the governing Authority, and to be in full force and effect as provided by law and that a copy of this

resolution will be transmitted to the Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO in conjunction with the filing of the project application for funding.

The above and foregoing Resolution, after having been first reduced to writing and ready by the Clerk, was introduced by Councilmember Casey, seconded by Councilmember Dombrowski, and was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES

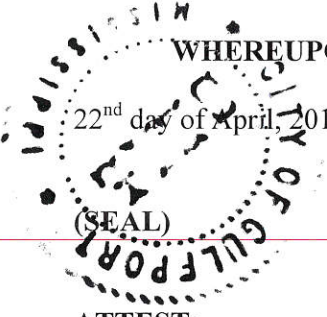
Casey
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NAYS

None

ABSENT

None

 WHEREUPON, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, this the 22nd day of April, 2014.

ATTEST:


CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

ADOPTED:


PRESIDENT

The above and foregoing Resolution submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 23rd day of April, 2014.


MAYOR