



## Transportation Alternative Project (TAP) Resolution

*A RESOLUTION of the City of Diamondhead (Hereinafter referred to as "APPLICANT") AUTHORIZING the filing of an APPLICATION for Federal Surface Transportation (STP) for E. Aloha Improvements, Phase II (Hereinafter referred to as "PROJECT") and COMMITTING the necessary NON-FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS for said project, and ASSURANCE OF THE City of Diamondhead(APPLICANT) TO ACTIVATE THE PROJECT IN THE FY 2024 AND BEGIN CONSTRUCTION BY 2024.*

**WHEREAS**, the City of Diamondhead (APPLICANT) is submitting an supplemental application to the MPO for additional funding in the amount \$424,599.60 (80% federal \$339,679.68) in funding from the Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) for the E. Aloha Improvements, Phase II (project) to be included in the Transportation Alternative Project (TAP) and,

**WHEREAS**, the Gulf Regional Planning Commission (GRPC) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Mississippi Gulf Coast; and

**WHEREAS**, Gulf Regional Planning Commission administers Surface Transportation Block Grant fund (STBG) to local jurisdictions within the MPO's designated urbanized area and under the guidance and direction of the Mississippi Gulf Coast MP's Technical Coordinating Committee and the Transportation Policy Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 24, 2015, the MPO's Transportation Policy Committee of the Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO adopted a Complete Streets Policy for the region that includes firm, but reasonable, language that required both new and reconstruction roadway projects utilizing federal transportation funds on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, to include measures to accommodate bicycles, pedestrians and transit to the extent possible; and,

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

**WHEREAS**, the commitment of local matching funds of at least twenty percent (20%) is required for STBG funding consideration; and,

**WHEREAS**, STBG funding is limited, and additional cost increases cannot be expected or be more than twenty percent (20%); and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that City of Diamondhead is authorized to execute and file a project application for funding under the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that if approved for funding, APPLICANT will provide \$84,919.92 in additional non-federal matching funds; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that if approved for funding, APPLICANT must complete the PROJECT as described in the project application; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that if approved for funding, APPLICANT understands that the PROJECT must be activated as indicated on this resolution and construction begin as indicated on this resolution project application and systematically moved toward completion as prescribed in this resolution and the project application; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that a signed copy of this resolution will be transmitted to the Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO in conjunction with the filing of the project application for funding.

I, Nancy Depreo (hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced by Councilmember Cumberland, seconded by Councilmember Liese, and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Diamondhead on the 6th day of February, 2024 by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Depreo, Finley, Liese, Cumberland, Maher

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

seal



Nancy Depreo  
Nancy Depreo, Mayor

Attest:

Jeannie Klein  
Jeannie Klein, City Clerk