TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) PROJECT RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION of the City of Diamondhead (Hereinafter referred to as "APPLICANT") AUTHORIZING the filing of an APPLICATION for FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP) FUNDING FOR THE "I-10 INTERCHANGE LIGHTING AT EXIT 16 (GEX DRIVE)" (Hereinafter referred to as the "PROJECT") and COMMITTING the necessary NON-FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS for said project, and ASSURING that APPLICANT intends to follow project scheduling and development guidelines set forth by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) toward obligation of PROJECT for construction in FY2017.

WHEREAS, APPLICANT is submitting an application to the MPO for \$500,000 in funding from the Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) for the PROJECT to be included in the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, the Gulf Regional Planning Commission (GRPC) serves as the administrative agency for the Mississippi Gulf Coast MPO, and administers federal STP funds to the local jurisdictions within the MPO's designated urbanized areas under the guidance and direction of the MPO's Technical Coordinating and Transportation Policy Committees; and

WHEREAS, the MPO's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Handbook describes the policies and procedures for development of TIP; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2015, the MPO's Transportation Policy Committee adopted a Complete Streets Policy for the region that includes firm, but reasonable language requiring both new and reconstruction 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 MPO and rank against other projects submitted for funding consideration; and

WHEREAS, the commitment of local matching funds of at least 20 percent of PROJECT construction cost is required to receive STP funding consideration; and

WHEREAS available STP funding is limited, and additional cost increase cannot be expected to be funded with such funds and may cause financial liability to be borne by APPLICANT; and

WHEREAS, STP-funded projects must comply with the MDOT Project Development Manual for Local Public Agencies.

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

RESOLVED, that if approved for funding, APPLICANT will provide local match amount in 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 understand that the PROJECT must be activated and systematically moved toward completion as prescribed in this resolution and in 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.

SO BE IT RESOLVED, this the 19th day of April, 2016.

having been first reduced to writ seconded by Councilmember result was as follows:	Kepy		and the matter being put to a vote, the	
	Aye	Nay	Abstain	
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Councilmember Woolbright				
Councilmember Knobloch	V			
Councilmember Sislow	<u> </u>			
Councilmember Rech	V			
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