



**Mississippi Gulf Coast  
Metropolitan Planning Organization**  
Gulf Regional Planning Commission

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 E. Aloha Drive Roadway Widening (Hereinafter referred to as "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 \$280,000.00 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 the 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 increases cannot be expected to be funded with such funds and may cause additional 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 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 \$56,000.00 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 understands 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.

I, Thomas E. Schafer, IV (hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced by Councilmember Sislow, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Diamondhead on the 3rd day of January, 2017, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Depreo, Woolbright, Knobloch, Sislow, Rech, Mayor Shafer

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. E. Schafer", is written over a horizontal line.

Thomas E. Schafer, Mayor (Signature)