

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE
RESOURCES FOR MISSISSIPPI TIDELANDS TRUST FUND PROGRAM FUNDING TO BE
UTILIZED FOR ROTTEN BAYOU NATURE TRAIL CONNECTION.**

WHEREAS, the City of Diamondhead (the "City") has identified a need to improve public access to waterways for its residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to receive funding under the Mississippi Tidelands Trust Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (the "MDMR") is the administrator of the Mississippi Tidelands Trust Funds program, and is currently accepting grant application for FY27 Tidelands Funding; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to request Mississippi Tidelands Trust Funds to support the Rotten Bayou Nature Trail Connection project for preservation, development and access to public waterways; and

WHEREAS, the City, if awarded FY27 Mississippi Tidelands Funding for its Noma Drive to Montjoy Creek Nature Trail Connection project, would be required to provide \$0 match funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD, MISSISSIPPI, THAT:

SECTION ONE: The statements, findings, determinations, and conclusions contained in the preamble of this resolution are hereby adopted, ratified and incorporated therein.

SECTION TWO: The City Manager, is hereby authorized to request FY27 Mississippi Tidelands Grant Funds and submit all required information to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources for the Noma Drive to Montjoy Creek Nature Trail Connection Project.

SECTION THREE: The City Manager is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution and to provide any information to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources in order to complete its review of the FY27 Mississippi Tidelands Grant Application.

SECTION FOUR: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after adoption.

The above and foregoing resolution, after having been first reduced to writing, was introduced by Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember _____ and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Finley	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Liese	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Cumberland	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Clark	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Maher	_____	_____	_____
Mayor Depreo	_____	_____	_____

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of all of the members of the Governing Body, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted, this the _____ day of _____, 2025.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

(SEAL)