

***A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS ("APPLICANT")) AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR FY23 GULF COAST RESTORATION FUNDS FOR THE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TRANSFORMATION PROJECT PHASE 8 (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "PROJECT"), COMMITTING THE NECESSARY NON-FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS FOR SAID PROJECT, COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE OF THE CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD (APPLICANT) AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES.***

**WHEREAS**, the City of Diamondhead (APPLICANT) is submitting an application to the Mississippi Development Authority for FY22 Gulf Coast Restoration Fund funding for the Commercial District Transformation Project Phase 8 (project) in the amount of \$1,200,000 of which a federal share 80% or \$1,000,000 and,

**WHEREAS**, the commitment of local matching funds of at least twenty percent (20%) or \$200,000 (local share) is required for Gulf Coast Restoration Fund consideration; and,

**WHEREAS**, The City of Diamondhead acknowledges the said PROJECT will compete for funding against other projects submitted for funding consideration; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Diamondhead further acknowledges that, if awarded, it will comply with all requirements and assurances established for Gulf Coast Restoration funded projects; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that City of Diamondhead, hereby authorizes its City Manager, Jon McCraw, to prepare, execute and file its Commercial District Transformation Project Phase 8 application to the Mississippi Development Authority for FY22 Gulf Coast Restoration Funding and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that if approved for funding its Commercial District Transformation Project application , APPLICANT will provide \$200,000 in non-federal (general fund) local matching funds; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that if approved for funding, APPLICANT will comply with all requirements and assurances established for Gulf Coast Restoration Fund funded projects, and be it

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

I, Nancy C. Depreo, Mayor (hereby certify that the foregoing resolution of City Council was duly and regularly introduced by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Diamondhead on the 19th day of July, 2022 by the following vote, to wit:

- AYES:
- NAYS:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

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Nancy C. Depreo, Mayor

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_

Jeannie Klein, City Clerk

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The City of Diamondhead is submitting its "Commercial District Transformation Project" for funding to the MDA for the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund (GCRF) grant program. Diamondhead is a rural community that needs to develop in order to accommodate the growth of the tri-state region of Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana. Aerospace and military-based industries are thriving on the Gulf Coast due to investments by the state of Mississippi through their "Defense Diversification Initiative" and also from federal investments in NASA's jet propulsion test facility at John C. Stennis International Space Center in Hancock County, Mississippi and at Michoud Assembly facility in East New Orleans, Louisiana. Freight-related businesses are thriving as well on the coast especially those located at the Hancock County Port and Harbor District Industrial Complex and at the Port of Gulfport. Their growth can largely be attributed to the recently completed expansion of the Panama Canal that has increased freight cargo in the entire Gulf region and spurred the burgeoning American economy. These factors have combined to necessitate the need for this project.

The Transformation Project includes building a commercial corridor that will accommodate multiple modes of travel and provide for both residential and commercial development. The City is planning to build this project in several phases with the first two phases already receiving funding. Phase One will include roadway improvements along Park Ten Drive to Noma Drive, Park Ten Drive to Leisure Time Lane and Leisure Time Drive extension to Gex Drive. This part of the project was funded in July 2020 by the State Legislature for \$1,500,000, with the City of Diamondhead also providing \$300,000 of local matching funds. Phase Two of this project will be to construct roads, sidewalks, and other public infrastructure for the "Town Center District." This will create several walkable street blocks in a new mixed-use commercial district that will include class A office space, hotels, restaurants, retail stores, apartments, and condos. This part of the project was funded in July 2021 by the State Legislature for \$2,000,000, with the City of Diamondhead also providing \$400,000 of local matching funds.

The City of Diamondhead is requesting \$1,000,000 in funding through the GCRF grant program and will provide a local matching share of \$200,000 for this phase of development. Diamondhead will provide the local match from existing funds in its General Fund. The grant will provide overlay of Kalani Drive and Indian Hill Drive, a median on Kalani Drive, sidewalks, streetlights, landscaping, and improved drainage. The location of the proposed roadways is shown in deep purple on the attached map, labeled "Phase 8 – West Aloha, Kalani, & Indian Hill Improvements." The West Aloha portion of the project has been funded by a Gulf Coast Restoration Fund grant. This grant will allow for the City to complete the three roadways.

The total investment in the project area including betterment when complete is over \$26M. The Town Center District Project will connect two distinct parts of the city and provide access to a new "Town Center," enhance internal traffic flows, reduce regional vehicle miles traveled (VMT), and spur commercial development. Using a

complete street approach, Diamondhead envisions a boulevard style roadway that will accommodate multiple modes of travel including bicycles and pedestrians, electric vehicles, charging stations, and

mixed-use commercial and residential development. The project will include a multi-modal lane, green space including pocket parks, decorative street lighting, and a thematic design suitable to the Gulf Coast.

The corridor roadway will provide a direct connection to the southern portion of the city that currently is separated by Interstate 10, thereby opening nearly 100 acres for new development. This connection will provide for better access for emergency vehicles and for hurricane evacuations.

The benefits of this project include:

- ° Enhanced access to goods & services
- ° Reduced regional vehicle miles traveled
- ° Improved traffic operations & safety
- ° Significant travel time cost savings
- ° Increased property values & property tax revenue
- ° Allows for Senior Citizens to “age-in-place”

**COVINGTON**

Kalani Drive/Indian Hill Drive

PROJECT NO. 1504-21

July 6, 2022

**SIDEWALK, LIGHTING, & LANDSCAPING**

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT COST	AMOUNT
1.0	Maintenance of Traffic	1	LS	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
2.0	Sidewalk	1,750	SY	\$ 45.00	\$ 78,750.00
3.0	Concrete Pavers	168	SY	\$ 200.00	\$ 33,600.00
5.0	Crushed Stone Base	400	TONS	\$ 100.00	\$ 40,000.00
6.0	Lighting / Landscaping	1	LS	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 140,000.00
					<b>\$ 317,350.00</b>
12.0	Engineering	8%	%	\$ 317,350.00	\$ 25,388.00
13.0	Inspection	3%	%	\$ 317,350.00	\$ 9,520.50
14.0	Contintency	15%	EA	\$ 317,350.00	\$ 47,602.50
<b>TOTAL SIDEWALK, LANDSCAPING, &amp; LIGHTING PROJECT COST</b>					<b>\$399,861.00</b>

**ROADWAY**

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT COST	AMOUNT
1.0	Easements (Survey, Closing, and Cost)	1	LS	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
2.0	Demolition (Driveways, Curb & Gutter, Inlets, Etc.)	1	LS	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 140,000.00
3.0	Maintenance of Traffic	1	LS	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
4.0	Crushed Stone Base	125	TONS	\$ 100.00	\$ 12,500.00
5.0	Drainage (inlets/Piping)	1	LS	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
6.0	Asphalt Paving	500	TONS	\$ 200.00	\$ 100,000.00
7.0	Miscellaneous (Utility Adjustments)	1	LS	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
8.0	Curb & Gutter (1.5')	3,250	LF	\$ 30.00	\$ 97,500.00
					<b>\$ 640,000.00</b>
9.0	Engineering	8%	%	\$ 640,000.00	\$ 51,200.00
10.0	Inspection	3%	%	\$ 640,000.00	\$ 19,200.00
11.0	Contintency	15%	EA	\$ 640,000.00	\$ 96,000.00
<b>TOTAL ROADWAY PROJECT COST</b>					<b>\$806,400.00</b>