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**To: The City of the Village of Douglas City Council**

**From: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager**

**RE: Donation of Floating Docks/Douglas Marina Slip/Contracted Services**

**Date: August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

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The city has received a donation offer for a floating docking system with kayak launch valued at over \$7,000. In exchange for this donation, the donor was wishing to have the use of their marina slip at Douglas Marina for the 2025 season free of charge, as well as 2026 and 2027 (a value of \$6,000). This is an excellent opportunity to improve our amenities without significant financial expenditure.

The floating docks will be transported across Kalamazoo Lake and installed at Wade's Bayou to replace the existing low profile rowing dock, which is currently in a state of disrepair. To ensure the successful execution of this project, we also seek your approval to engage Camp & Cruise who will be responsible for the transportation and installation of the docks at a cost of \$6,800. A total of five (5) quotes were sought with only one received before the agenda deadline.

The benefits of this approval include:

- **Cost-Effective Improvement:** Acquiring these floating docks through a donation allows us to upgrade our facilities with minimal impact on the city budget.
- **Enhanced Amenities:** New docks will provide safer and more reliable access for rowers and other water enthusiasts, boosting the attractiveness of Wade's Bayou as a recreational destination.
- **Community Engagement:** The donor's contribution and our efforts to improve local infrastructure demonstrate a commitment to advancing community collaboration and enhancing public spaces.

Funding – The revenue amount for Wades Bayou for 2022 and 2023 from Third Coast Surf Shop and kayak slip rentals totaled \$16,236.50. The expenditures for 2022 and 2023 totaled \$8,381.42. This leaves \$7,855.08 remaining. With a budget amendment

we could use \$6,800 from Wades Bayou account 594-597.001-930.000 Repairs and Maintenance: General.

Sample Motion – Motion for approval of this donation, the exchange of the marina slip for three free seasons, and the engagement of Camp & Cruise to carry out the necessary work with a budget amendment of \$6,800.

