

STATE OF LOUISIANA
CITY OF WEST MONROE

ORDINANCE NO. _____

MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY THROUGH THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION (PDM) GRANT PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF ANY AND ALL INFORMATION TOGETHER WITH PROVIDING ANY AND ALL ASSURANCES OR COMMITMENTS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE; TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE, AND TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS AS THE MAYOR MAY DETERMINE APPROPRIATE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of West Monroe has determined that it has a significant need with regard to certain drainage improvements focused in the area referred to as the “Mid-City” area; and

WHEREAS, the City has also determined it can address that need by increasing the capacity of the drainage system with focused improvements, including the following:

1. Replacement of undersized drainage pipes
2. Installation of new drainage pipe
3. Construction of new stormwater outfalls (via pipe or open channels)
4. Construction of new detention basin(s)
5. Re-routing of stormwater for balancing of the system and more efficient conveyance
6. Widening existing open channels

with this project being referred to as “FY23 Mid-City Drainage Improvements, Phase 1”; and

WHEREAS, that while the City does not have access to the funding needed to accomplish the project, which has an estimated total project cost of \$3,200,000, the City can provide local funding of \$800,000; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution #793, the City submitted the project as a federal appropriations request through Senator Bill Cassidy, and as a result of the efforts of Senator Cassidy that funding was included in the FY23 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Appropriations Act, in the Joint Explanatory Statement (JES) for Division F in the table starting on page S8570 entitled “Homeland Security Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items/Congressionally Directed Spending Items”; and

WHEREAS, qualification for receipt of that appropriated funding now requires application for a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security through the Fiscal Year

2023 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Grant Program, and compliance with all of the associated terms, provisions and conditions of that grant program.

NOW, THEREFORE,

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that Staci Albritton Mitchell, as Mayor of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, be and she is hereby authorized to apply for a grant for the project referred to as “FY23 Mid-City Drainage Improvements, Phase 1” from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security through the Fiscal Year 2023 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Grant Program in compliance with all of the associated terms, provisions and conditions of that grant program, all as more fully set forth on Exhibit “A”, with an estimated total project cost of \$3,200,000, comprised of a grant request of \$2,400,000 together with a local contribution of up to \$800,000.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that Staci Albritton Mitchell, as Mayor of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, be and she is hereby authorized to submit any and all information together with providing any and all assurances or commitments necessary or appropriate to the grant application which are either necessary or desirable in order to fulfill the application requirements of the grant program.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that Staci Albritton Mitchell, as Mayor of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, be and she is hereby authorized to take any and all necessary actions and to execute any and all documents relating to the grant application which are either necessary or desirable in order to fulfill the application requirements of the grant program.

The above Ordinance was read and considered by sections at a public meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, in regular and legal session convened, voted on by yea and nay vote, this 4th day of April, 2023, the final vote being as follows:

YEA: _____

NAY: _____

NOT VOTING: _____

ABSENT: _____

ATTEST:

APPROVED THIS 4TH DAY OF
APRIL, 2023

CHRISTEN HEATH, CITY CLERK
CITY OF WEST MONROE
STATE OF LOUISIANA

STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL, MAYOR
CITY OF WEST MONROE
STATE OF LOUISIANA