

**RESOLUTION NO. -22**

**A RESOLUTION  
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A  
SUB-RECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT FOR FUNDING  
FROM THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE  
CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF THE GULF COAST CENTER FOR  
ECOTOURISM & SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT  
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,409,728**

---

WHEREAS, as part of the City's Vision 2025 Plan for Sustainability and Strategic Plan 2015-2019, the City is committed to protecting our natural resources by raising environmental awareness; and

WHEREAS, the City was recently awarded \$8,814,455 in RESTORE funding for the construction of a facility that will support ecotourism and environmental education in the Gulf Coast region as part of the initial Alabama Gulf Coast Recovery Council Multi-year Implementation Plan (MIP). The City was previously awarded \$1,020,723 in RESTORE funds for design services (Phase I) for the project. The design is complete and the project is ready to begin construction; and

WHEREAS, the City has also requested additional contingency funds for the project in the amount of \$3,595,273 to cover recent construction cost increases. Once approved, this Multi-Year Implementation Plan (MIP) amendment will allocate a total of \$12,409,728 of RESTORE funds for the construction phase (Phase II) of the project; and

WHEREAS, the new Eco Center facility will house a range of programs for students from school districts within the region, as well as summer and weekend programs that benefit the local economy and encourage responsible tourism; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF SHORES, ALABAMA, WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON MAY 23, 2022 as follows:

**Section 1.** That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to accept the award and execute Sub-Recipient Grant Agreement Amendments with ADCNR for the construction phase of the Gulf Coast Center for Ecotourism & Sustainability Project in an amount not to exceed \$12,409,728.

**Section 2.** That this is a 100% reimbursable grant agreement with ADCNR, \$5,550,000 of which was budgeted in Fund 42-501-89000 as part of the 2022 Budget (Resolution No. 6494-21) at the Council Regular Session on 12/13/21. The remainder will be included in the 2023 Budget.

**Section 3.** That the City of Gulf Shores understands that it will execute all documents necessary to comply with all applicable Federal and State laws, rules and regulations.

**Section 4.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Craft, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Wanda Parris, MMC  
City Clerk

**C E R T I F I C A T E**

I, Wanda Parris, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Gulf Shores, Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. -22 (prepared by City Clerk), which Resolution was duly and legally adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on May 23, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk