

**A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A JOINT GRANT APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT
WITH BALDWIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE, THE CITY OF ORANGE BEACH AND THE
CITY OF FOLEY SEEKING ADEM GRANT FUNDING
FOR THE BALDWIN COUNTY MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITY
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000.00**

WHEREAS, the City of Gulf Shores recognizes the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources, and works to make the world a better place by adopting conscientious living habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer and healthier environment; and

WHEREAS, since 2014, the City has worked to improve recycling opportunities for residents and visitors through the establishment of the City Recycling Center, the Leave Only Footprints Program, and through education and outreach; and

WHEREAS, local community and county recycling leaders have come together to join in a discussion of a concentrated cooperative effort to share resources to maximize the environmental and economic value of county-wide recycling; and

WHEREAS, local community and county recycling leaders, working together, have formed a Baldwin County Material Recovery Facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gulf Shores has adopted Resolution No. 6447-21, supporting the Baldwin County Material Recovery Facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gulf Shores, along with the cities of Foley, Orange Beach, and other municipalities in Baldwin County, are working with Baldwin County Solid Waste as the lead local agency to expedite the critical need to maximize our recycling efficiency and commodity value through a cooperative effort; and

WHEREAS, Baldwin County Solid Waste has begun the process of designing a state-of-the-art Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) to be located adjacent to the Magnolia Landfill that will serve the recycling needs of all of Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, this new regional MRF is critical to the future viability and growth of recycling in Baldwin County and the ability of the State of Alabama to achieve its recycling goals, as established by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM); and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Recycling Fund was created by the Alabama Legislature and administered by ADEM to provide grant funding to local governments to develop, implement, and enhance local recycling projects and programs.

RESOLUTION NO. -23

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF SHORES, ALABAMA, WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON FEBRUARY 27, 2023 as follows:

Section 1. That the City of Gulf Shores intends to work jointly with Foley and Orange Beach to apply for grant funding under the Alabama Recycling Fund in support of the Baldwin County Material Recovery Facility.

Section 2. That the City of Gulf Shores will serve as the lead applicant for this grant.

Section 3. That any and all grant funds awarded by this joint application will be for the exclusive purpose of supporting the Baldwin County Material Recovery Facility.

Section 4. That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest, respectively, a joint application and agreement in partnership with Baldwin County Solid Waste, the City of Orange Beach, and the City of Foley for a 2023 ADEM Recycling Program Grant in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 for the Baldwin County Material Recovery Facility, and, if awarded, for the Mayor to execute the grant agreement with ADEM.

Section 5. That no City funds will be used for the purchase of equipment, the City will pass through the \$350,000 ARF Grant funds to Baldwin County. If awarded, the funds will be added to the 2023 budget by amendment.

Section 6. That the City of Gulf Shores understands that it will sign assurances to comply with all applicable Federal and State laws, rules and regulations.

Section 7. That this Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 27th day of February, 2023.

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. -23 (prepared by City Clerk), which Resolution was duly and legally adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on February 27, 2023.

City Clerk