

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-6442

COUNCIL SPONSOR: LORINO/COOPER

PROVIDED BY: PRESIDENT’S OFFICE

RESOLUTION OBLIGATING FUNDS TO LAND AND WATER  
CONSERVATION FUND PROJECT FOR THE LACOMBE TRACE  
TRAILS AND NATURE PARK.

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Council is interested in acquiring lands and/or developing outdoor recreational facilities on the following described project for the enjoyment of the citizenry of the Parish of St. Tammany and the State of Louisiana:

PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION:

THE LACOMBE TRACE TRAILS AND NATURE PARK

WHEREAS, in November, 2011, St. Tammany Parish entered into an agreement with the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement, for the purpose of acquiring a 26.311-acre parcel of property in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish is developing a master plan for this exciting new recreational resource and destination for its residents on this parcel of land, which property is connected to the Tammany Trace along the banks of the scenic Bayou Lacombe in Lacombe, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the site offers a plethora of opportunities for residents and guests to engage with the natural environment and historic past. The plans call for upgrades to boating and fishing access including a fishing dock, kayak launch and new and expanded parking area. Restrooms, pavilions, trails, boardwalks and picnic areas will offer further amenities for all ages; and

WHEREAS, the trails will include interpretive stations to highlight the bottom land swamp flora and fauna as well as the history of the site including uses ranging from the Choctaw Indians to the Tammany Railway to more recent barge building operations and the importance of conservation, coastal restoration and hurricane protection as well as infrastructure that is directly affected by coastal wetland losses; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish’s increased vulnerability to hurricane events/storm surge is a result of many things &ndash; one being land loss, whose contributing factors include oil and gas exploration activities. St. Tammany Parish is eager to polish this gem along the already successful Tammany Trace to broaden the access to its waterways and provide a phenomenal new park for our residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, this recreational facility will be located in St. Tammany Parish Recreation District No. 4 and will benefit the residents of Lacombe and St. Tammany Parish as well as visitors to St. Tammany Parish; and

WHEREAS, any wiring covered in this project, or wiring done in the future on this site, will be placed underground in order to maintain a safe environment for St. Tammany Parish residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the St. Tammany Parish Council, State of Louisiana, that said St. Tammany Parish Council does agree to obligate the funds or services stipulated below to satisfactorily complete the following project and thus become eligible for Land and Water Conservation Fund financial aid of 50% of the estimated or actual allowable cost, at the completion of said project. Said St. Tammany Parish Council also states that sufficient funds are on hand, as of this date, to fund said project as follows:

TOTAL TOTAL TOTAL SPONSOR’S COST BREAKDOWN  
ESTIMATED ESTIMATED ESTIMATED (Total Same as column 3)  
Cost Federal Sponsor’s Cash Services

\*\*\*SEE ATTACHMENT 1 \*\*\*

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. Tammany Parish Council is hereby authorized and directed to make application to the Louisiana Office of State Parks, Division of Outdoor Recreation, to seek federal financial assistance on this project for them and be further authorized to take the necessary action to complete such project and sign such documents as are required.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and plan approved by said St. Tammany Parish Council be forwarded to the Louisiana Office of State Parks for the purpose of obtaining such financial aid.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 1 DAY OF APRIL, 2021, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MICHAEL R. LORINO, JR. , COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENT  
March 4, 2021 Council Meeting

Resolution obligating funds to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Project for the Lacombe Trace Trails and Nature Park.

23-Feb-21

Lacombe Trace Trails & Nature Park  
 for the development of Green Property (property acquired with federal grant - BOEMRE)  
 PROJECT BUDGET for the application to the Land and Water Conservation Fund, La Office of State Parks  
 submitted by Randy Pausina, Coastal & Environmental Protection & Restoration Manager  
 estimates provided by John Goodnow, Landscape & Parkway Manager

Deep Water Horizon Settlement	GOMESA funds through 2020	LWCF 50% grant	PROJECTED COSTS Amount	Description	
\$12,500		\$12,500	\$25,000	SITE CLEAN UP AND GRUBBING APPROX. 5 ACRES @ \$5,000.00 PER ACRE \$25,000.00	
	\$67,500	\$67,500	\$135,000	LIMESTONE PARKING AREAS 27,000 SQ. FT. 4" DEPTH WITH GEO TECH FABRIC @ \$5.00 PER SQ. FT	
\$25,000		\$25,000	\$50,000	SIGNAGE, SEWER, BIKE RACKS, TRASH CANS, PICNIC TABLES, AND MISC. COSTS	
	\$20,800	\$20,800	\$41,600	TRAILS LIMESTONE 1300' APPROX. 8' WIDE 10,400 SQ. FT. @ \$4.00 PER SQ. FT.	
\$288,000		\$288,000	\$576,000	ELECTRICAL COSTS AND WATER (underground) CLECO estimate \$60/ft for 7200 ft or \$432,000	
	\$87,500	\$87,500	\$175,000	5 PAVILIONS 15'X20' @ \$35,000.00 PER (1 ORGANIC MULCHING BATHROOM)	
	\$17,320	\$17,320	\$34,640	KAYAK LAUNCH 35' CONCRETE WITH STEPS @ \$35.00 PER SQ. FT.	
	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$800,000	6' BOARDWALKS (3,000 sq ft' concrete w/rails @ \$120 sq ft) & PIERS 6,000 SQ. FT. TOT (3,000 sq ft concrete no rails @ \$70 sq ft)	
\$81,380		\$81,380	\$162,760	DESIGN 10% OF TOTAL	
\$0	\$406,880	\$593,120	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	TOTAL COST PROJECTION
Tot Match		\$1,000,000		\$200,000	
Unmatched		\$0			

the following items are not part of the grant application - the paving work will be considered at a later date for funding under Sales Tax District 3 dedicated for roads, drainage and bridges

\$43,125	ACCESS ROAD (MAIN STREET INTO SITE UNTIL PARKING LOT END) 7,500 SQ. FT. @ \$5.75 PER SQ. FT. \$43,125.00
\$60,375	ASPHALT PAVING FOR RAIL SPUR 10,500 SQ FT @ \$5.75 PER SQ. FT.
\$103,500	