# ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

# RESOLUTION

# RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-6175

### COUNCIL SPONSOR: LORINO/BRISTER PROVIDED BY: GRANTS

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH ST. TAMMANY PARISH AND ITS REGIONAL PARTNERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR GRANT FUNDING AND IN SUPPORT OF MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA WATERSHED INITIATIVE.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Watershed Initiative was formed in order to coordinate statewide floorplan management efforts through a watershed management approach in response to the 2016 Great Floods and in preparation for future storm and flood events. This coordination includes outreach with local communities to build support for watershed region management approaches that can more effectively address mounting water risks statewide; and

WHEREAS, coordination among St. Tammany Parish Government and its regional partners within Watershed Region No. 7 is critical to reducing flood risk and preserving the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of St. Tammany Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Watershed Initiative has requested applications for participation in a Regional Capacity Building Grant Program, which may enable the provision of technical assistance to St. Tammany Parish and its regional partners if awarded, thereby furthering immediate watershed management and flood risk reduction goals.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the agreements between regional parishes and St. Tammany Parish for the purpose of applying for grant funding and acting in support of management activities and in conjunction with the State of Louisiana Watershed Initiative is hereby approved.

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

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY:	SECONDED BY:
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YEAS:

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ABSTAIN:	

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

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE <u>3</u> DAY OF <u>OCTOBER</u>, 2019, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

#### Administrative Comment

This resolution gives support to St. Tammany Parish Government (STPG), on behalf of Region 7(Region), for the Louisiana Watershed Initiative as part of the Regional Capacity Building Grant Program. The Steering Committee will develop and execute a work plan for recommendations for a Regional Watershed Governance Structure. The Regional Watershed Governance Structure will provide a system for developing project lists, Regional Watershed Plan for enhanced watershed management, development standards, and watershed model implementation. Other opportunities from Regional collaboration include but are not limited to sub-committees for localized projects within the Region, community outreach, and data sharing of work already in progress in some of the Parishes, as well as future information.