

Baldwin County Commission

Legislation Text

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ITEM TITLE

Public Access Improvements at the Baldwin County Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) Boat Ramp - Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) Grant Agreement

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Take the following action(s):

- 1) Authorize the Chairman to execute a Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) Grant Agreement with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) for public access improvements at the Baldwin County Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) boat ramp; and
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to execute any other project related documents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Previous Commission action/date: Various

Background:

<u>September 20, 2019, BCC Regular Meeting</u> - The Commission approved and authorized the Chairman to execute the Gulf of Mexico Security Act (GOMESA) Grant Agreement (Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources ADCNR) in the amount of \$7,500,000.00 for the property acquisition of 45 acres for the Intracoastal Waterway Boat Launch project.

<u>December 3, 2019, BCC Regular Meeting</u> - The Commission adopted Resolution #2020-038 amending the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget (Resolution #2019-144 adopted September 20, 2019) and authorized the movement of \$400,000.00 from General Fund (Fund 001) to Parks (Fund 144) for the design of the Intracoastal Waterway Boat Launch.

<u>February 4, 2020, BCC Regular Meeting</u> - The Commission waived Baldwin County Commission Policy #9.10 - Engineering and Surveying Services and approved on-call consultant Volkert, Inc. to perform design services for the Intracoastal Waterway Boat Launch Design with design fees not to exceed \$399,931.00.

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March 17, 2020, BCC Regular Meeting - The Commission made the recorded Statutory Warranty Deed (Instrument No. 1791221) and all associated documents for the purchase of 45 acres of property on the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, a part of the record.

The Public Access Improvements at the Baldwin County ICW Boat Ramp will consist of the construction of approximately 6 boat launches, fish and staging piers, gazebos, wharf area, restroom facilities and associated parking. The site has sufficient space to accommodate additional amenities as a future phase.

ADCNR agrees to provide an advance disbursement of GOMESA funds to Grantee for payment of allowable costs pursuant to a single payment in an amount not to exceed \$2,601,500.00 to allow satisfactory completion of all project services.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Total cost of recommendation: Grant Amount not to exceed \$2,601,500.00.

Budget line item(s) to be used: 70174

If this is not a budgeted expenditure, does the recommendation create a need for funding? N/A

LEGAL IMPACT

Is legal review necessary for this staff recommendation and related documents? Yes

Reviewed/approved by: Brad Hicks, County Attorney (Final Approval - 12/9/2020 - los)

Additional comments: N/A

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS

Is advertising required for this recommendation? N/A

If the proof of publication affidavit is not attached, list the reason: N/A

FOLLOW UP IMPLEMENTATION

For time-sensitive follow up, select deadline date for follow up: N/A

Individual(s) responsible for follow up: Commission Administration have the Chairman sign the GOMESA Grant Agreement.

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Action required (list contact persons/addresses if documents are to be mailed or emailed):

Commission Administration prepare correspondence and forward two signed GOMESA Grant Agreements to Highway Department, attention John Sedlack, for further execution.

Contact:

Mr. Christopher M. Blankenship, Commissioner Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources 64 North Union Street, Suite 468 Montgomery, Alabama 36130

Additional instructions/notes: N/A