

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE DOG RIVER
COMPREHENSIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the Dog River Watershed, located within the city of Mobile and unincorporated areas of Mobile County, Alabama, was prepared by the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program and other concerned community leaders with interest in the long-term viability of this area. In agreement with the spirit and goals of this plan, and acknowledging the environmental and economic importance and value of this watershed, a call for intergovernmental cooperation is necessary to successfully achieve this restoration and conservation program.

Whereas, the Dog River Watershed, draining southern portions of the City of Mobile and adjacent, unincorporated areas of Mobile County, Alabama, encompasses 59,705 acres and contributes to the health and vitality of its receiving waters of Mobile Bay, and

Whereas, the landscape of this watershed ranges from gently rolling terrain in headwaters downstream to low coastal plains, tidal marshes, and historic wooded wetlands, and

Whereas, the landscape of the upper watershed has undergone extensive commercial and residential development resulting in 22% impervious cover while the lower watershed contains tracts of unspoiled hardwood bottomlands, freshwater wetlands, and coastal marshes, with less than 12% impervious cover, and

Whereas, conversion of the natural landscape to impervious cover has caused increases in volume and velocity of stormwater runoff in this watershed, resulting in increased flooding; non-point source pollution impacts that include trash and litter, pathogens, and nutrients; channel erosion; degraded habitats and infrastructure; and deteriorated water quality in its tributaries and creeks that ultimately transport non-point source pollution and sediment into Mobile Bay, and

Whereas, one tributary in this Watershed – Halls Mill Creek– is listed on the 2017 Alabama 303(d) list for impairment by siltation, and

Whereas, Total Maximum Daily Loads for pathogens and organic enrichment/low dissolved oxygen have been approved by U.S. EPA for Bolton Branch, Eslava Creek, Rabbit Creek, and Upper Dog River, and

Whereas, a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the Dog River Watershed, funded by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund and completed in October 2017, documented the current state of the water quality and ecological impairment in the Watershed; described major pollutants; assessed future climate change


scenarios; evaluated potential improvement measures and practices; and recommended a prioritized list of watershed improvement actions,

Whereas, the natural resources goals stated in the *Map for Mobile* include “protection of watersheds and sensitive habitat areas”, and the *Future Land Use Plan* for the City has identified Priority Investment Opportunity Areas within the Watershed including the Dauphin Island Parkway corridor, Michigan Avenue corridor, Airport Boulevard and I-65 intersection, the Government Street corridor, the Loop, and Tillman’s Corner,

Now, therefore be it resolved by the legislative body of the City of Mobile, Alabama that it endorses the *Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the Dog River Watershed*, and

Be it further resolved that the City of Mobile, willingly and in full support, agrees to partner with the Dog River Clearwater Revival and the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program to focus on implementation of specific measures and actions contained in the watershed management plan that coincide with goals stated in the *Map for Mobile*.

Adopted: 04 - 10 - 18



City Clerk

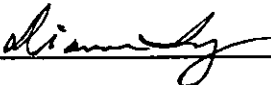
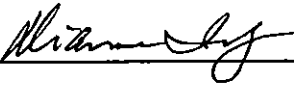
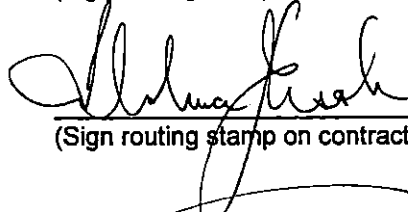

AGREEMENT/CONTACT ROUTE APPROVAL

(1) Funds in Budget/
Finance Department N/A
Date

(2) Approved by
Legal Department PAR 4/5/18
Date

ROUTING FORM FOR CONTRACTS

NAME OF CONTRACT Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the Dog River Watershed

	<u>SIGNATURE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
DEPARTMENT HEAD (1)	<u></u>	<u>4-5-18</u>
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	<u></u>	<u>4-5-18</u>
BUDGET/ACCOUNTING (2)	<u>N/A</u> (Sign routing stamp on contract also)	_____
LEGAL DEPARTMENT	<u></u> (Sign routing stamp on contract also)	<u>4-5-18</u>
MAYOR'S OFFICE	<u></u>	<u>4-5-18</u>
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE	for Council action or Mayor's signature	_____
COUNCIL ATTORNEY (3)	(if Council action is required)	_____

- (1) **Route 3 copies for non-capital contracts
Route 4 copies for capital contracts**
- (2) **Budget approves non-capital contracts
Accounting approves capital & grant contracts**
- (3) **Sign a separate copy to the Council
Attorney for information purposes only, prior to Council action.
No sign off is required. Therefore, keep Routing Form with original contracts.**
- (4) **Applications for grants require the use of the Routing Form for Grant Applications.**

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

Agenda of: April 10, 2018
Date

Item No. 60-254


Submitted by: Engineering & Development Admin
Department

Dianne Irby
Department Head

Sponsored by: Mayor Stimpson, J. Williams, C. J. Small
Name

Mayor & Councilmembers
Title

Reviewed by: 
Executive Director

Routing Authorized: 
Mayor's Office

4-5-18
Date

A brief synopsis and explanation of the following:

PROJECT NAME: Comprehensive Watershed Management

PURPOSE & SCOPE OF PROJECT:

Endorse the Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the Dog River Watershed and agrees to support the Dog River Clearwater Revival and Mobile Bay National Estuary PProgram to focus on implementation of specific measures and actions contained in the plan.

RESOLUTION

ORDINANCE

OTHER

AMOUNT OF CONTRACT: 0

FUNDING SOURCE:

Budget Item: _____

Discretionary Funds: _____

Budget amendment: REDUCE INCREASED

Grant funds: _____

Matching funds: _____

Associated Costs:

Current year (itemize)
Type: _____

Amount: _____

Future years
Year: _____

Amount: _____

*If Cost will continue, write "indefinite" and list project annual cost.

Effective date of contract: _____

Renewal date of contract (if applicable): _____

If not bid, state reason: _____

How many bidders received bid packages (if applicable): _____

How many bidders submitted bids (if applicable): _____

If this is not the lowest bid, explain why not:

