

December 27, 2024

Mr. Doug Whittington  
Director of Accounting  
City of Vicksburg  
1401 Walnut Street  
Vicksburg, MS 39180

RE: South Port Phase II Mitigation

Mr. Whittington:

Please be advised that the Warren County Port Commission's \$10.4 million grant application to complete the final phase of the South Port Project mitigation needs (Phase II Mitigation) has been approved by the Mississippi Development Authority and the funds will be transferred to the Port Commission in early January in preparation for closing of the property and activation of the Permittee Responsible Mitigation plan.

The local match for the grant is \$1,121,243.46. Warren County and the City of Vicksburg have agreed to share in the funding of this match equally, evidenced by the attached Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg resolution, dated November 4, 2024.

The anticipated date of closing is January 15, 2025. For this to transpire, the Warren County Port Commission must have the City of Vicksburg's portion of the local match, which is \$560,621.73 in its accounts in the early part of January.

Please make the funds payable to the Warren County Port Commission, and a representative of our organization will be available to pick up the check when it is available.

The success we are experiencing in our economic development efforts will not be possible without the support of the City of Vicksburg, and we thank you!

We look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,



Pablo Diaz  
Executive Director  
Warren County Port Commission

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMMITMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS FOR A SITE DEVELOPMENT GRANT FROM THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW PORT COMPLEX

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Development Authority has Grant funds available for Eligible site development projects, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg has determined that it has a direct interest in the completion of the wetland remediation requirements associated with the development of the new port and related facilities now that the final permit has been issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg have determined that the need to complete the wetland remediation work at the earliest time possible is in the best interest of the City of Vicksburg and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Development Authority has issued an invitation to the Warren County Port Commission to apply for funds in the amount of \$10,483,795.98 to support such work; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a local match of \$1,121,243.46 from local sources; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County has agreed to provide \$560,621.73 to support such work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN, that the City of Vicksburg is authorized and directed to provide matching funds in the amount of \$560,621.73 as part of the local match for this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city will transfer the funds to the Warren County Port Commission for their utilization on this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute any necessary grant applications, grant acceptance or related agreements, or other documents necessary for the grant.

SO RESOLVED this the 4th day of November, 2024

Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg

By:

  
George Flagg Jr., Mayor

Attest:

  
CITY CLERK



# CERTIFICATE

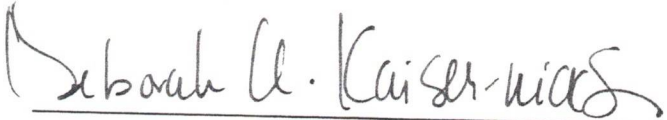
**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**COUNTY OF WARREN**

**CITY OF VICKSBURG**

I, Deborah A. Kaiser-Nickson, the duly and legally appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk and lawful custodian of the Minutes of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg and Seal of said City, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a Resolution Adopted by The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg at a Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, November 4, 2024.

WITNESS my signature and seal of the City of Vicksburg this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024.



Deborah A. Kaiser-Nickson, City Clerk

