

**CITY OF HAMPTON**

**STATE OF GEORGIA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-38**

**A RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE GEORGIA OUTDOOR STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM (“GOSP”) CONSERVE GEORGIA GRANT PROGRAM; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Hampton, Georgia is the Mayor and Council (hereinafter “City”) thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has completed its City and Henry County Transportation Plan and Henry Trails Plan proposed therein is the Towaliga River Model Mile trail project; and

**WHEREAS**, the scope of the Towaliga River Model Mile trail project begins at the intersection of East Main Street and Elm Street and ends at Rocky Creek Road; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the City to move forward with the portion of the Towaliga River Model Mile within the city boundary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (“GOSP”) Conserve Georgia Grant Program allows cities to apply for grant funding to fund Trails Projects to acquire and/or improve local parks, trails, and conservation lands; and

**WHEREAS**, there is funding available from the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (GOSP) for which the City can pre-apply by October 1, 2022, for the first level of application; and

**WHEREAS**, the maximum Conserve Georgia Grant Amount for local parks and trails projects is three million (3,000,000) dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the City to apply for the 75/25 funding; and

**WHEREAS**, if successful the city will be notified Spring 2023 after which second-level application can be applied for by March 30, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager or his designee has the authority to complete any and all necessary application documents to apply for the pre-application and if successful the second-level application for GOSP FY22-23 funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is aware of and certifies that in the event the City is recommended for said funding, the City will be responsible for twenty-five (25) percent of the total project cost;

**BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Hampton, Georgia, that the City Manager or his designee is authorized to move forward with due diligence in applying for the above-referenced GOSP funding for the Towaliga River Model Mile trail project and sign any corresponding documents to secure the grant.

**SO RESOLVED**, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of **October 2022**.

**CITY OF HAMPTON, GEORGIA**

  
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**ANN N. TARPLEY, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

  
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**RASHIDA FAIRLEY, City Clerk**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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**L'ERIN BARNES WIGGINS, City Attorney**