

**RESOLUTION 2022-08**  
**ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT TO THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**  
**RESOURCES TRUST FUND A DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION**  
**FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT NORTH CHANNEL COUNTY PARK AND THE**  
**COMMITMENT OF COUNTY MILLAGE FUNDS FOR THE LOCAL MATCH**

**WHEREAS**, St. Clair County desires to provide year round creative, safe and accessible recreation facilities at all St. Clair County parks; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a desire at the North Channel County Park, a recently acquired property, to begin Phase I site developments that include a trailhead for the Bridge to Bay Regional Trail System, a paved parking lot with ADA spaces, an accessible walkway to an observation pier and related amenities; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated cost range for such improvements is approximately \$550,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project is consistent with the Five Year St. Clair County Master Recreation Plan recently approved for 2022-2026 and specifically, the goals established for developing outdoor recreational sites and opportunities for the public; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Clair County is eligible to make an application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund with a local match requirement; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Clair County would like to submit an application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for consideration of a grant in the amount of \$270,000 to be combined with a local match of \$280,000 (representing approximately 51%) from the annual county millage funds and any local donations received; and

**WHEREAS**, a Public Hearing was held on March 3, 2022, at a St. Clair County Board of Commissioner's meeting to receive public comment on the proposed grant application; and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission has voted to recommend that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners approve the submission of the development grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners does hereby commit to provide the required local match funds from the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation millage and any local donations received, in the amount of \$280,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners formally authorizes the submission of a development grant application in the amount of \$270,000 to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for the construction of a trailhead for the Bridge to Bay Regional Trail System, a paved parking lot, an accessible walkway, an observation pier, and related amenities at the North Channel County Park.

**Dated: March 17, 2022**

Reviewed and Approved As To Form By:

  
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