RESOLUTION 23-02

ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT TO MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES RECREATION PASSPORT PROGRAM FUND

A DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION FOR PHASE II IMPROVEMENTS AT NORTH CHANNEL COUNTY PARK AND THE COMMITMENT OF COUNTY MILLAGE FUNDS AND LOCAL DONATIONS FOR THE LOCAL MATCH

WHEREAS, St. Clair County desires to provide quality public parks and recreational facilities that are creative, safe and accessible; and

WHEREAS, North Channel County Park Phase II improvements would continue the communities desire to have a waterfront park that includes a trailhead amenity, restrooms, accessible pathways, observation platform, paddle craft launch and related park amenities; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost for such improvements is approximately \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the recently approved 2022-2026 Comprehensive Master Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, St. Clair County is eligible to make applications to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Passport Program Fund for consideration of a grant in the amount of \$150,000 to be combined with a local match of \$150,000 (representing 50%) from the annual county millage funds and any private or public donations; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on March 2, 2023, at a St. Clair County Board of Commissioner's meeting to receive public comments 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners does hereby commit to provide the local match funds in the amount of \$150,000 from the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation millage and also any private or public donations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners also authorizes the submission of a development grant application in the amount of \$150,000 to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Passport Program Fund for Phase II improvements at North Channel County Park which include trailhead amenities, restrooms, accessible pathways, observation platform, paddle craft launch and related park amenities.

Dated: March 16, 2023

Reviewed and Approved As To Form By:

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