

**CITY OF BILOXI
AGENDA ITEM
FACT SHEET**

Item No.: 5K

Council Meeting Date: June 16, 2026

ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION
 INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich
 CONTACT PERSON: Richard Weaver, Chief Administrative Officer
 Christy LeBatard, Director of Engineering

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

Resolution authorizing submission of a grant application to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources for Tidelands funding to be utilized in connection with Capital Project No. 1112: Oak Street Dock

Resolution Ordinance _____ Public Hearing _____ Routine Agenda _____

Exhibits for Review

Contract Minutes _____ Plans/Maps _____ Deed _____ Lease _____

Other (Specify): Exhibit A: Application

Submittal Authorization: Council President _____ Mayor

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval

COUNCIL ACTION: Motion By: _____ Second By: _____

Vote:	Councilmember	Yes	No	AFR	ABST	Councilmember	Yes	No	AFR	ABST
	Gray	_____	_____	_____	_____	Tisdale	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Marshall	_____	_____	_____	_____	Glavan	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Nail	_____	_____	_____	_____	Shoemaker	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Creel	_____	_____	_____	_____					

ACTION TAKEN:

Resolution No.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES FOR TIDELANDS FUNDING TO BE UTILIZED IN CONNECTION WITH CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 1112: OAK STREET DOCK

WHEREAS, the City of Biloxi (the “City”) has identified a need for docking facilities that provide access to restaurants and other shore-based activities for recreational boaters in the Mississippi Sound, and has created Capital Project No. 1112: Oak Street Dock (“Project 1112”) to address this need;

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to receive funding from the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (the “MDMR”) under the Tidelands grant program, which has been established to improve public access to marine resources;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to submit the grant application, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit “A,” requesting funding in the amount of One Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,860,000.00) from MDMR with no required match from the City;

WHEREAS, if awarded, the requested funding will be utilized by the City to construct the improvements to the Oak Street Pier and a docking facility; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of Christy LeBatard, Director of Engineering, that the City submit the request for funding described herein to MDMR.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, THAT:

SECTION ONE: The statements, findings, determinations and conclusions contained in the preamble of this resolution are hereby adopted, ratified and incorporated herein.

SECTION TWO: The Mayor, on behalf of the City of Biloxi, is authorized to execute the grant application, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A," to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, requesting grant funding in the amount of One Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,860,000.00), with no required match from the City of Biloxi.

SECTION THREE: The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution and to provide any information required by Mississippi Department of Marine Resources in order to complete its review of said application.

SECTION FOUR: This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after adoption.



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Request for Funding FY2028

Public Access Managed Project

Official Use Only

Project Number: _____

Average Merit Score: _____

Requesting Agency: _____

PROJECT SUMMARY

1. Title of Project: *red outlines indicate required fields*

Oak Street South Pier and Docking Facility

2. Location of Project:

City of Biloxi, Harrison County

3. Requesting Agency

City of Biloxi

3.a Select your Office (DMR Applicants Only)

4. Requesting Agency Representative:

a. Name: A.M. Gililch Jr
b. Phone: (228) 435-6254
c. Fax: (228) 435-6129
d. Address: P.O. Box 429 Biloxi, MS 39533
e. Email: agilich@biloxi.ms.us

5. Project Manager:

a. Name: Christy LeBatard, PE
b. Phone: (228) 435-6269
c. Fax:
d. Address: 214A Delauney Street, Biloxi, MS 39530
e. Email: clebatard@biloxi.ms.us

6. Funding Requested:

\$ 1,860,000.00

6a. Requested Funding for Required Match:

6b. Amount Above Matching Funds:

7. Matching Funds:

\$ 800,000.00

8. Source of Matching Funds:

FY24 and FY27 Tidelands Grants

9. Total Project Funds

\$ 2,660,000.00

Joint Project Information

Is this a Joint Project?

Yes No

If yes, enter the agency:

Other Agency's Contact:

rquave@biloxi.ms.us



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PROJECT SUMMARY

10. Provide Brief Project Description/Overview:

The Gulf Coast, including Biloxi, has few locations for recreational boaters to tie up out of the channel and enjoy dining and entertainment. This project extends the current Oak Street Pier and adds a docking facility. This site is heavily used by recreational boaters and is sheltered from weather by Deer Island.

11. LIST Project Goals/Objectives:

- Goal #1: provide a safe docking facility for recreational boaters
- Goal #2 Economic Development - offers opportunity for on the water dining
- Goal #3 Safety - provides a safe place to dock and dine

12. LIST Project Benefits:

This project will add to the very limited number of locations where recreational boaters can dock safely and go ashore to dine or enjoy water side activities



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PROJECT SUMMARY

13. LIST Project Tasks:

Task #1 is dredging and underwater obstacle removal

Task #2 is construction of new pier

Design and permitting is currently on-going using previously awarded Tidelands Grant

14. Project Timetable/Milestones:

Permitting June - December 2024

100% design December 2024

Project will be on hold until FY28 funding is available if awarded

Advertise/Bid January 2028

Award Contract March 2028

Construction Complete July 2028

15. If this project has been funded previously through Tidelands Trust Fund indicate which fiscal years: (type N/A if not applicable)

FY24 and FY27

16. Project Timing:



Short-term (3 years or less)



Deferred/long-term (3 – 5 years)



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APPLICATION SUMMARY QUESTIONNAIRE

17. Is this a Multi-Phase Project? Yes No

18. Is any part of this project located on private property? Yes No

19. Is there an existing lease between the requesting agency and property owner? Yes No

20. If required, are the plans approved by the DMR Permitting Office? Yes No

21. Will this project enhance an existing water-dependent activity? Yes No

Identify the activity:

The project will enhance the water dependent activity of recreational boating by the general public by giving recreational boaters the opportunity to visit local restaurants and other amenities via boat.

22. Does this project coordinate with other existing or planned projects? Yes No

Identify the project(s):

Yes, this project will provide additional funding for the FY24 and FY27 Tidelands funded Oak Street Pier project.

23. Will this project involve impacting, filling, or dredging coastal wetlands? Yes No

If yes, what acreage: <0.5 acre only dredging will be to allow boat access and remove debris

24. Identify the constituency or interest group(s) which this project will serve:

Recreational boaters

25. Identify the service that this project will provide to the group(s) identified in 24:

This project will provide safe and secure docking site that will provide access to restaurants and other amenities near Oak Street.



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APPLICATION SUMMARY QUESTIONNAIRE

26. Project Category:

(more than one may apply)

- Conservation
- Reclamation
- Preservation
- Acquisition
- Education
- Public Access
- Public Improvement
- Other (Identify)

27. Current status of architectural/ engineering plans & specifications for this project (if applicable): (check one from each group)

- Group 1:
- Completed
 - In Progress
 - Ready to Bid
 - Other (identify)

- Group 2:
- Paid for
 - Funds budgeted
 - Funds not budgeted

28. Categorize the benefits from 12:

- Environmental
- Economic
- Safety
- Public
- Other (identify)

29. Have other State or Federal funding sources been identified for the project?

- Yes
- No

If yes, identify:

FY24 and FY27 Tidelands Grants

30. In what way does this project meet the goals and objectives of the Department of Marine Resources and the Secretary of State's Office, which include enhancing, protecting, conserving and providing public access to tidelands affected areas?

This project meets the goal and objectives of DMR and Secretary of State by improving public access to safe and secure recreational docking site.



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APPLICATION SUMMARY

31. Summarize, in paragraph form, your Tidelands Application below. Give additional detail from TTF-1 Section 7 and include how the project will meet the requirements of the Public Trust Tidelands Act and the potential benefits that would be derived from receipt of Tidelands Trust Funds.

Despite miles of shoreline in Biloxi and other communities nearby, there are very limited number of locations where recreational boaters can dock their watercraft and dine or enjoy other waterside activities. This project takes an existing pier (Oak Street South) and adds a full docking facility. The dining and recreational facilities already exist, this will provide a place for boats to dock and boaters to go ashore to dine.



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APPLICATION SUMMARY

32. Estimated number of years to completion:

33. Estimated Completion Date:

34. Prioritize if your agency has submitted multiple projects

35. SIGNATURES

Project Manager:
Signature Date

Requesting Agency Representative:
Signature Date

36. Attach project schematics or drawings as appropriate

*Progress notes must be submitted semi-annually on Public Access projects and DMR projects, and quarterly on Managed projects.



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BUDGET

Category	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
Salaries, wages, Fringe						\$ 0.00
Travel						\$ 0.00
Architecture & Engineering						\$ 0.00
Legal						\$ 0.00
Consulting						\$ 0.00
Construction	1860000					\$ 1,860,000.00
Site Work						\$ 0.00
Equipment						\$ 0.00
Land Acquisition						\$ 0.00
Indirects						\$ 0.00
Other						\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 1,860,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,860,000.00

Funding Sources	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
*Tidelands Funding Reallocated (Project #: _____, Year _____)						\$ 0.00
**Tidelands Funding Awarded						\$ 0.00
***Federal Grants Funding						\$ 0.00
***FEMA Funding						\$ 0.00
***MEMA Funding						\$ 0.00
***CDBG Funding						\$ 0.00
***In-Kind Donations						\$ 0.00
***Other						\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Instructions:

1. If project will be completed in one year, complete only the "Year 1" budget column.
2. If project will be completed in two years, complete "Year 1" and "Year 2" columns.
3. Follow the same process as above for "Year 3", "Year 4", and "Year 5", if project will not be completed for 5 years.
4. *This should be completed only if you plan to reallocate existing funds to this project.
5. **This should only be completed if you were awarded funds in previous Tidelands year for other phases of this same project.
6. ***Refer only to matching funds secured for this project.



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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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