

LAFAYETTE CITY-PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 003-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY-PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVING, ADOPTING AND RECOMMENDING LINC PLAN ACTION NO. 2-2004: LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION AND FUNDING FOR PREPARATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE DRAINAGE AND STORMWATER MASTER PLAN FOR LAFAYETTE PARISH IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) AND THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AS PART OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: LAFAYETTE IN A CENTURY (LINC) DRAINAGE/STORMWATER ELEMENT.

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Charter established a five member City-Parish Planning Commission, duly formed and appointed; AND

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission has availed itself of the comprehensive planning process as authorized by Louisiana Law 1950 Revised Statutes Title 33, Part IV Sections 101 through 119, as amended, which establishes the basic framework for public planning by local government units in Louisiana; AND

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission has identified, under current laws, its responsibilities to prepare, recommend and adopt a Comprehensive Master Plan for the City and Parish of Lafayette; AND

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission, the Lafayette City-Parish Council and Lafayette City-Parish President appointed a twenty-four member Steering Committee which met over a period of two years in two hundred and eighty-six meetings and held ten major public hearings; AND

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission has established the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee (CPIC) comprised of department and agency directors throughout the parish as well as representatives from the municipalities of Broussard, Carencro, Duson, Scott and Youngsville to develop LINC Goals, Objectives and Potential Strategies to advise the Commission on Steering Committee Recommendations; AND

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission has reviewed and considered the LINC Steering Committee Recommendations and the LINC CPIC Goals, Objectives and Potential Strategies for the LINC Drainage and Stormwater Element of the Comprehensive Plan; AND

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission has, after eighteen months, of workshops and discussions, adopted seventeen LINC Drainage/Stormwater Element Policies to govern its actions as a part of the Comprehensive Plan; AND

WHEREAS, one of the critical work objectives identified in the LINC Drainage and Stormwater Element is an updated and comprehensive data base on parish flood elevations, contours and coulee/bayou cross-sections as well as development and maintenance of a electronic computer drainage hydraulic and hydrologic model of the parish; AND

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA), the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and the University of Louisiana at Lafayette School of Engineering have agreed to work with local governments in preparing a master drainage and stormwater plan for the parish; AND

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of Lafayette municipal and parish governments to support the completion of the FEMA/DFIRM maps and the LINC Drainage and Stormwater Master Plan; AND

WHEREAS, the rapid pace of urban growth and development in the parish necessitates a coordinated and comprehensive approach to the LINC Drainage and Stormwater Plan within the earliest possible time frame; AND

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has identified the LINC Drainage and Stormwater Element as the major LINC priority; AND

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:106 states "A plan shall be made with the general purpose of guiding and accomplishing a coordinated, adjusted and harmonious development of the parish or municipality, as the case may be, and its environs which will, in accordance with present and

future needs, best promote health, safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity, and general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development; including among other things, adequate provision for traffic, the promotion of safety from fire and other dangers, adequate provision for light and air, the promotion of the healthful and convenient distribution of population, the promotion of good civic design and arrangement, wise and efficient expenditure of public funds, the adequate provision of public utilities and other public requirements, and in the case of a municipal planning commission, vehicular parking."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission the adoption and recommendation of LINC Drainage/Stormwater Element Plan Action No. 2-2004 requesting the City of Broussard, Town of Duson, City of Carencro, Lafayette Consolidated Government for the City and Parish of Lafayette, City of Scott and the Town of Youngsville support an Intergovernmental Agreement between and among themselves and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the purpose of preparing and completing a Comprehensive Drainage and Stormwater Master Plan for Lafayette Parish to be completed by the end of calendar year 2005.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Lafayette City-Parish Planning Commission the following strategies to assist in implementation of LINC Drainage/Stormwater Element Plan Action No. 2-2004:

- a) Each local government responds by resolution advising the Planning Commission of the interest and disposition of Plan Action No. 2-2004 (sample draft copy attached).
- b) Each local government, in agreement with the need and support for the completion of the Drainage and Stormwater Master Plan shall enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for a Cooperative Technical Partnership (CTP).
- c) Each local government, individually, should contribute funding needed to complete the Drainage and Stormwater Master Plan as follows: City of Broussard - \$25,000, Town of Duson - \$25,000, City of Carencro - \$25,000, Lafayette Consolidated Government, Public Works Department - \$400,000, Lafayette Consolidated Government – LINC Fund \$65,000, City of Scott - \$25,000 and Town of Youngsville - \$25,000.
- d) Each local government, in agreement with need and local funding required to complete the Master Drainage and Stormwater Plan for Lafayette Parish shall provide half of their respective cost share to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers in October, 2004 and the balance in October, 2005.
- e) Local funding contributions for the Master Plan preparation are to be made payable to: FAO, B2, USACE MVN (this is the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District), Attention: Mr. Mark Wingate and Mailed to: P. O. Box 60267, New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0267.
- f) Scheduled and target completion date for the Lafayette Parish Drainage and Stormwater Master Plan is December, 2005.
- g) The University of Louisiana at Lafayette School of Engineering has agreed to assist in the development and maintenance of the Parish Drainage and Stormwater Model.
- h) LINC Plan Action No. 2-2004 (funding, preparation and completion of a comprehensive drainage and stormwater master plan for Lafayette Parish and its municipalities) has been scheduled for presentation to the Council of Government's meeting at Broussard City Hall on July 22, 2004.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Lafayette City - Parish Planning Commission the expression of appreciation to the LINC Steering Committee, Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee (CPIC) and the Commission's General Advisory Panel (GAP) for the work and advice in preparing this LINC Drainage and Stormwater Plan Action No. 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Lafayette City - Parish Planning Commission that this LINC Resolution be forwarded to the Administration and Council of the City of Broussard, Town of Duson, City of Carencro, Lafayette Consolidated Government, City of Scott and Town of Youngsville at the earliest convenience of the Commission Chair and that a formal submittal letter be transmitted.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN VOTED ON AND ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY ON THIS THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF JUNE, TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR, IN THE TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY EIGHT YEAR OF INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES



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