

**RESOLUTION OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING  
THE SUBMISSION OF A FUNDING REQUEST FOR  
FY2020 MDA GULF COAST RESTORATION FUND TO MAKE  
CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COURT STREET PARKING  
GARAGE AND COMMUNITY CENTER AND COMMIT MATCHING  
FUNDS TO SUCH PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Bay Saint Louis downtown parking garage and community center, located on Court Street, was completed in 2011.

WHEREAS, the two level 125 space concrete parking structure is a short walking distance to the Hancock County courthouse and surrounding commercial and downtown district of the City.

WHEREAS, the Old Town Community Hall is located on top of the garage and is available to the public as a rental venue.

WHEREAS, additional parking is essential to support the growing number of restaurants, gift shops, art galleries, and businesses in the City's downtown area.

WHEREAS, a third parking level would add approximately 30 parking spaces to the parking garage and the building was designed so that a third story could later be added to the facility.

WHEREAS, upon the passage of the 2019 legislation allowing golf carts on public roads, the City has become a golf cart community and the City is in need of parking for the golf carts.

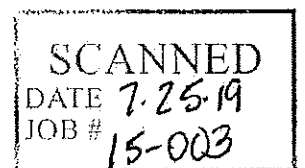
WHEREAS, Golf cart charging stations at the parking garage would be an added amenity for the downtown area and further promote economic development within downtown Bay St. Louis.

WHEREAS, other improvements are also needed on the building which include, but are not limited to, repairs to the existing metal structures, steps, decks and roof.

WHEREAS, the City requests that the Mayor, or his designee, submit a funding request and application for FY 2020 MDA Gulf Coast Restoration Funds to fund the improvements to the Court Street Parking Garage and Community Center as described above.

WHEREAS, the City estimates that the cost of the improvements are Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:



BEL GRANTS

1. The Mayor and City Council find that improvements are needed to the Court Street Parking Garage and Community Center to promote economic development within the City limits and better the lives of residents and tourists.
2. The City Council authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, submit an application for FY 2020 MDA Gulf Coast Restoration Funds to fund the improvements to the Court Street Parking Garage and Community Center as described within this Resolution.
3. The City Council hereby commits to obligating any legally available funds to meet the twenty percent (20%) match requirement if awarded a FY 2020 MDA Gulf Coast Restoration Fund.