

RESOLUTION NO. 413

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF AN APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TDOT) TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Mount Carmel Regional Planning Commission has considered and recommended the establishment of a One Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$100,000) MOUNT CARMEL MAIN STREET ENHANCEMENT PROJECT to be financed by a Grant available from the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) which requires the appropriation of a Twenty Percent (20%) match; and,

WHEREAS, the Mount Carmel Regional Planning Commission has considered and recommended that improvements be made along Main Street in that area from Hammond Avenue and continuing in a westerly direction to the next access to Highway 11-W. Possible improvements to include new or reconstructed sidewalks and curb ramps, street furniture (benches, trash receptacles), enhanced roadside landscaping, pedestrian lighting, and improved crosswalks. Now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor, or the Vice-Mayor in his absence, failure or inability to do so, is hereby authorized and directed to execute an appropriate Grant Application to the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) for its Transportation Enhancement Program.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor, or the Vice-Mayor in his absence, failure or inability to do so, is hereby authorized and directed to provide a letter of support for the MOUNT CARMEL MAIN STREET ENHANCEMENT PROJECT giving assurance that the Town of Mount Carmel will provide the requested match and that the community is committed to completing and maintaining the project.

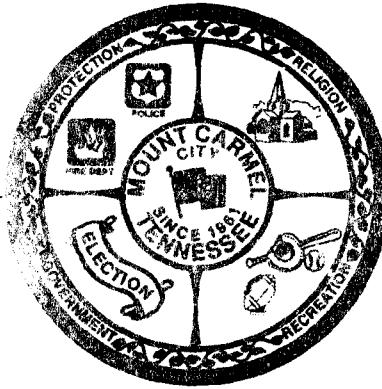
SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage the public welfare requiring it.

ADOPTED this the 28th day of October, 2008


GARY W. LAWSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marian Sandidge
MARIAN SANDIDGE, City Recorder



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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LAW OFFICE OF MAY & COUP

FIRST READING	AYES	NAYS	OTHER
Vice-Mayor Eugene Christian	X		
Alderman Wanda Davidson			absent
Alderman Richard Gabriel	X		
Alderman Tresa Mawk	X		
Alderman Thomas Wheeler	X		
Alderman Carl Wolfe	X		
Mayor Gary Lawson	X		
TOTALS	6	0	1

PASSED FIRST READING: October 28, 2008



**STATE OF TENNESSEE
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September 9, 2009

Honorable Gary Lawson
Mayor, Town of Mount Carmel
100 East Main Street
Mount Carmel, TN 37645

Dear Mayor Lawson:

The 2009 Transportation Enhancement award announcements have now been completed. Unfortunately, your Mount Carmel Main Street Enhancement project application was not selected for funding. This was an extremely competitive program cycle, with nearly 100 applicants requesting over forty-seven (47) million dollars in funding. As with every program where the needs greatly exceed the available resources, difficult choices had to be made in order to achieve a responsible and equitable distribution of the Federal funds. Ultimately, the 40 projects that were selected will enhance the travel experience throughout the state and heighten the quality of life in Tennessee communities.

We are now accepting applications for the 2010 funding cycle with a deadline date of November 2, 2009. Due to the volume of applications expected, we will not automatically roll-over non-awarded applications but encourage you to resubmit your proposal with all necessary updates at this time. Updates must include a new application signature form (page 3 of the Enhancement Grant Application), any changes in the project description (Section 2), an adjusted project budget (Section 3) and current letters of project support (Section 5).

Please review our 2010 application and instruction booklet to ascertain any changes in procedure or eligibility that may have occurred since your last submission at <http://www.tdot.state.tn.us/local/grants.htm>.

Thank you for your interest in the Enhancement Program. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Mr. Jim Moore, Director, Program Development & Administration Division, at (615) 741-3301 or via e-mail at jim.m.moore@tn.gov.

Sincerely,


Gerald F. Nicely
Commissioner

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