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EXTRACT OF THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, 8201 WEST JUDGE PEREZ DRIVE, CHALMETTE, LOUISIANA ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2014 AT THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Hunnicutt, it was moved to **adopt** the following resolution:

RESOLUTION SBPC #1267-12-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,800.00 FOR ST. BERNARD PARISH PARKS SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the FY 2015 Louisiana Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) is a State of Louisiana program designed to provide financial assistance in support of projects which improve the health, safety and quality of life of the residents in selected geographical areas; and,

WHEREAS, St. Bernard Parish has received a \$70,000.00 grant under the Louisiana Land and Water Conservation Fund, funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and administered by the State of Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, to install lighting at Torres Park; and,

WHEREAS, this 2010 Torres Park Lighting Grant requires a 50% local match of \$35,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, St. Bernard Parish wishes to complete this important project in order to expand recreational use of Sydney Torres Memorial Park, provide increased public safety and security, and protect against vandalism; and,

WHEREAS, St. Bernard Parish also wishes to improve and protect existing facilities at Torres Park and the new multi-purpose center at Val Riess Park by installing security cameras tied into the Parish's current wireless monitoring system with the addition of an alarm system at Val Riess Park.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Bernard Parish Council, does hereby authorize the submission of a FY2015 grant application to the State of Louisiana Local Government Assistance Program in the amount of \$82,800.00 for St. Bernard Parish Park Security Improvements; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the St. Bernard Parish Council, does hereby authorize the use of said grant funds, if awarded, as local match for the 2010 Torres Park Lighting Grant; and,



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December 16, 2014

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the St. Bernard Parish Council does hereby authorize the President of St. Bernard Parish Government to sign and submit all required grant applications, Cooperative Endeavor Agreements and any amendments thereof, and all of the necessary reports, assurances, contracts and any other documents required in connection with the LGAP Program.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote there upon resulted as follows:

YEAS: Lauga, Lewis, Hunnicutt, Montelongo, Cavignac

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Gorbaty

The Council Chair, Mr. McInnis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 16th day of December, 2014.

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a motion adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Parish of St. Bernard, held at Chalmette, Louisiana, on Tuesday, December 16, 2014.

Witness my hand and the seal
of the Parish of St. Bernard on
this 16th day of December, 2014.

ROXANNE ADAMS
CLERK OF COUNCIL

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Grant Application Package

ST. BERNARD PARISH PARK SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS

FISCAL YEAR 2014 -2015



**Division of Administration
Office of Community Development
P.O. Box 94095
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095
Tel: (225)342-7412
Fax: (225)342-1947
Website: www.doa.la.gov/cdbg/lgap.htm**

**FY 2014-2015
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) is to assist units of local governments with funding for needed infrastructure and long-term capital improvements in rural areas. Other federal funds are available through USDA, CDBG, and EPA (Revolving Loan Funds) programs to also assist rural communities in these efforts. LGAP's purpose is to fill the gaps where there are no federal funds available to assist a unit of local government with an identified high priority need. Priority will be given to those projects which identify and resolve basic human health and safety needs.

ELIGIBILITY AND MAXIMUM GRANT AMOUNTS

All municipalities and parishes in Louisiana are eligible to participate in the LGAP program with the exception of the following HUD entitlement cities: Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Bossier City, Kenner, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Monroe, New Orleans, and Shreveport.

Maximum grant ceiling amounts are based on the following population ranges.

Villages (1-999) are eligible to apply for up to \$25,000.

Towns (1,000-4,999) are eligible to apply for up to \$35,000.

Cities (5,000-35,000) are eligible to apply for up to \$50,000.

Parishes are eligible to apply for up to \$100,000. (If a parish's incorporated communities' combined maximum ceiling amounts are less than the allocation for the entire parish area, the parish can then apply for more than \$100,000.)

Parishes may apply for projects that serve a parish-wide area or an unincorporated area of the parish.

APPLICATION DUE DATE

The deadline for submittal of applications for the FY 2014-2015 allocation is December 19, 2014. If hand delivered, the application must be received by the Office of Community Development by 4:30 pm on December 19, 2014. If mailed, the postmark must be stamped no later than December 19, 2014. Any application not meeting the deadline requirements will not be rated, unless there is a balance remaining in that parish's allocation after awards are made.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Fire protection, sewer, water, renovations to essential governmental buildings, police protection, land acquisition, demolition, equipment, roads, drainage, and reasonable engineering costs (10% of grant award if associated with construction) are eligible for assistance under this program. In some cases an exception may be made to the above list. In those instances, an overwhelming case must be made for the need of the project and documentation must be included which supports that the project will alleviate the identified health, safety, or quality of life concerns of the citizens within that local government.

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Previously incurred debt, improvements to private property, on-going salaries, overtime for government employees, administration, engineering-only or planning-only projects, and **costs associated with recreational activities** are not eligible activities under this program.

EVALUATION PROCESS

The evaluation process involves several steps, including a staff review and rating. Rating will be based on the following criteria. For fire protection projects, question number 3 will be used for rating instead of question number 2.

1. Does the proposed project serve the maximum percentage of citizens in the jurisdiction?
2. Does the proposed project improve the health, safety, living conditions, and quality of life of the community?
3. In cases involving fire protection, will the proposed project improve the fire rating of the community?
4. Does the proposed project improve the economic conditions of the area?
5. Is the project cost reasonable/effective?
6. Will LGAP funds be used to match other local, state or federal funds?

The Office of Community Development will evaluate each application to determine its rating and award amount.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Complete all of the application forms included herein. An original and one copy of the application must be submitted to the Office of Community Development. If the project involves

technical or engineering questions, you may need to consult a qualified expert for design descriptions or budget estimates. A resolution of support from the governmental body must be attached to the application. In addition, the application must include a letter of support from the state senator and state representative who represents the district in which the project is located. Applications will not be accepted without both the legislative letters of support and the local government resolution of support.

LGAP will NOT provide administration funds to administer the project nor fees for completing the application package. In addition, LGAP will NOT pay for previously incurred debt. Should your project be funded, requests for payments, accompanied by invoices, will be sent to the Office of Community Development. Under no circumstances will the state reimburse costs for invoices dated prior to an executed contract with the unit of local government.

EMERGENCY SET-ASIDE

\$500,000 dollars has been set-aside for projects determined to be of an emergency nature which affect the health and safety of residents of an area. The ceiling amount for an individual emergency grant is \$250,000. A unit of local government may receive an emergency grant only once during the fiscal year under this category. The emergency situation must have occurred within 3 months of application submission. Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis. Local governments interested in applying for these funds should first contact the Office of Community Development to discuss the proposed project. If it is determined by the Office of Community Development that the proposed project meets the intent of the program, the local government will be invited to submit an application.

****Please be aware that if a local government currently has two open grant contracts with our office, it will not be awarded another until one of the others is closed.**

THE FOLLOWING FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
LGAP Program
Post Office Box 94095
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095**

- 1) Cover page
- 2) Classification page
- 3) Project description
- 4) Proposed budget summary and instructions
- 5) Local government assurances
- 6) Resolution of support from governmental agency/governing body
- 7) Support letter from state senator and state representative

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
2013 - 2014 GRANT APPLICATION**

COVER PAGE

COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS: (Incomplete forms may disqualify or reduce a grant award.)

GOVERNMENTAL FISCAL AGENCY: (Name of Municipality or Parish)

St. Bernard Parish (St. Bernard Parish Park Security Improvements)

ADDRESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT: 8201 W. Judge Perez Dr.
Chalmette, Louisiana 70043-1611

PHYSICAL ADDRESS OF PROJECT (Including the 9-digit Zip Code):

8201 West Judge Perez Drive
Chalmette, Louisiana 70043-1611

CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL: (Mayor or Parish President's Name)

David E. Peralta, Parish President

CONTACT PERSON (if different from the head of government)

Deborah Jan Fagan, Grants Coordinator Consultant

PHONE: 504-278-4226 FAX: 504-278-4330

EMAIL ADDRESS: dfagan@sbsp.net

APPLICATION PREPARED BY (if different from the contact person):

Deborah Jan Fagan

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$ 82,800.00

FEDERAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 72-6001193

CLASSIFICATION PAGE

COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS: (Incomplete forms may disqualify or reduce a grant award.)

NAME OF PARISH: St. Bernard Parish

NAME OF MUNICIPALITY: N/A

POPULATION: Please check the appropriate category based on 2000 Census figures.

- ☐ Village (1 - 999 citizens) _____ population
☐ Town (1,000 - 4,999 citizens) _____ population
☐ City (5,000 - 35,000 citizens) _____ population
☒ Parish 43,482 population (U.S. Census Estimate)

OTHER LOCAL, STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES/PARTICIPANTS IN PROJECT: Torres Park Lighting will be assisted by a Louisiana Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant from the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism

IS THE PROPOSED PROJECT LOCATED ON PUBLICLY OWNED LAND? ☒ Yes ☐ No

IS THE BUILDING PUBLICLY OWNED? ☒ Yes ☐ No

IF THIS PROJECT INVOLVES FIRE PROTECTION, ESTIMATE THE CHANGE IN FIRE RATING:
Current _____ Future _____

LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATION: Please provide the names of the State Senator and the State Representative for the area where the project will occur.

State Senator: Jean-Paul P. Morrell

State Representative: Ray Garofalo

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Should you need more space, you may continue on another page.

COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS: (Incomplete forms may disqualify or reduce a grant award.)

Be specific and state what you plan to spend the money on and what you want to do (what, where, why, how), if awarded. We need all information to process, review and rate applications. Grant applications cannot be reviewed without detailed information on the benefit to the local community and how the money will be spent.

1. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE FULL INTENT (PURPOSE) OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT:

The St. Bernard Parish Government (SBPG), in a phased effort to both upgrade existing facility operations and provide for the public safety and security needs of newly constructed facilities, is requesting funding to purchase and install security equipment for two park locations. The equipment will include lighting and security cameras at Sydney Torres Memorial Park (Administration-\$ 64,320.00), and security cameras and an alarm system at Val Reiss Park (Recreation- \$18,480.00).

- 2. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT.** (Specify what the funds will be used for) 1) Itemize any equipment to be purchased. 2) If sewer/water lines or streets, how many feet, miles, or blocks? 3) If constructing a building, how many square feet, type of structure, etc. 4) If renovating a building, please specify: interior/exterior, roofing, plumbing, electrical, ADA handicapped access / fire code requirements, et cetera.

Sydney Torres Memorial Park

Installation of 12 park lights around the west perimeter of the park (extending existing lighting fixtures to the west along outer perimeter pathway utilizing Sternberg Lighting Model #1843LED/PT/6712T5/6ARC45T3/ML/VG) and purchasing and installing 10 video security cameras at the existing boathouse (2 cameras), the bathrooms (4 cameras) and the large playground (6 cameras) with Peripheral Package and wireless linkage to the existing system at the Complex monitoring station.

Val Reiss Park

Purchase and install a video security camera monitor system along with an alarm system at the existing Val Reiss Park including cameras surrounding the new multi-purpose center.

3. What impact will the proposed project have on the community? (Include in your explanation the answers to the following: How many citizens will be assisted in the affected area? Does the project improve safety, health, living conditions, and quality of life of citizens? Does the project improve the environment or economic conditions of the area?)

The installation of cameras and security equipment for these two community-wide parks, Val Reiss and the Sydney Torres Memorial Park, will improve public safety and serve as a deterrent against possible malicious behavior. There currently is a recurring problem with vandalism particularly at Torres Park. Both the alarm system and the camera systems will be a tool for the St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Department and the St. Bernard Parish Government's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

In addition to security, the lighting at Torres Park will allow more of the existing outer perimeter walking path to be used during the twilight hours providing an opportunity to improve overall community health by increasing access for walkers and joggers to a safe facility.

Torres and Val Riess Parks are St. Bernard's largest Parish park facilities serving the entire community of approximately 44,000 residents. They are the center of many local functions and activities. Torres Park hosts St. Bernard's annual 4th of July festivities and numerous community fundraiser walks, etc. Val Riess Park is the hub of parish athletics and hosts an estimated 50,000 visitors annually through organized leagues, tournaments and invitational athletic events.

Both facilities contribute significantly to the local economy of the Parish as the location for events that attract both residents and visitors from the metropolitan area and beyond. Improving the security for these facilities will help the Parish to continue to benefit and sustain this impact to the local economy

Instructions for Completing LGAP Proposed Budget Summary

The following instructions for each budget category are based on the **LOUISIANA ACCOUNTING AND UNIFORM GOVERNMENTAL HANDBOOK**, which is available on the Division of Administration's website at <http://www.doa.la.gov/cdbg/lgap.htm>, or upon request to OCD, a hard copy of the handbook will be provided to any applicant. Please carefully review these instructions before completing the budget categories.

The LGAP will pay for contract labor only. Ongoing or administrative salaries can be shown in this budget summary for credit as part of the local government's matching funds.

Construction Contract

Amounts to be paid by the grant recipient for construction contracts.

Supplies

Only project related materials will be reimbursed.

Permanent Property

Expenditures for acquiring fixed assets including land or existing buildings, improvements of ground, initial equipment, additional equipment, and replacement of equipment.

Other Items

Amounts paid for goods and services not otherwise listed in the above categories.

NO PAYMENT WILL BE MADE FOR INVOICES FOR PROJECT WORK COMPLETED PRIOR TO AWARD. PAYMENTS FOR APPROVED INVOICES WILL BE MADE ACCORDING TO TERMS OF A SIGNED AND EXECUTED CONTRACT AFTER AN AWARD IS MADE.

"Local Funds" are any funds included in the total project costs, which are contributed by the unit of local government making the application. "Private Funds" are those from sources other than governmental entities, such as private businesses, bank, etc. "Other State Funds" include any other funds received through other state programs. "Federal funds" include funds from EPA, USDA, etc.

PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY

COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS: (Incomplete forms may disqualify or reduce a grant award.)
Refer to next page for an explanation of the spending categories.

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5
SPENDING CATEGORY	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM LGAP	AMOUNT OF MATCH BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT	SPECIFY OTHER FUNDS AND SOURCE (private, federal, other state monies)	TOTAL
SALARIES				
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT				
SUPPLIES Not Permanent				
PERMANENT PROPERTY Includes Equipment	\$82,800.00		\$35,000.00	117,800.00
OTHER Explain Below				
PROJECT TOTAL	\$82,800.00		\$35,000.00	\$117,800.00

***SHADED AREAS CANNOT BE USED TO ENTER REQUEST FOR FUNDS**

Local Government Assurances

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FISCAL ASSURANCES

1. The local government agency (LGA) assures that all programs, activities, and expenditures of funds conducted in association with this program are in direct compliance with the provisions of the LGAP.
2. The LGA assures that funding received under the LGAP will not replace or reduce funding for existing programs.
3. The LGA assures that it will provide for proper fiscal control and accounting procedures as may be required for fiscal audit.

PROGRAMMATIC ASSURANCES

1. The LGA assures that it will comply with R.S. 24:513 (State Audit Law), and the State of Louisiana public bidding procedures.
2. The LGA assures that, as applicable, it will comply with all federal and state laws, executive orders, and/or regulations.
3. The recipient of this grant assures that elected officials or their family members will not receive (directly or indirectly) any part of the funds awarded through this grant.
4. The LGA assures that no funds will be used on private property.
5. By acceptance of this grant, the LGA acknowledges that any LGAP grant will not be open beyond three years from the effective date of the signed contract, unless an extension request has been approved. The LGA will not be eligible for further LGAP funding until that grant is closed.
6. The recipient of the grant assures that funds requested in the grant will be used for the stated purpose only and within the time frame stated. Proof of proper expenditure of these funds will be required through invoices, canceled checks, copies of contracts, and other documentation. Failure to comply with any part of this agreement will result in termination of this grant and require any funds paid to be returned to the Office of Community Development.

I UNDERSTAND THAT, UNDER STATE LAW, NO REIMBURSEMENT CAN BE MADE FOR ANY INVOICES FOR WORK OR PURCHASES BEFORE THERE IS AN EXECUTED WRITTEN CONTRACT SIGNED BY BOTH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION.

Chief Elected Official

Parish President

Title

David E. Peralta

Type Name Here

12-18-14

Date