Introduced August 12, 2008, by Councilman Canada, seconded by Councilman Hursey (by request of Administration)

## **RESOLUTION R08-48**

A resolution relative to the Kensington Estates to John Slidell Park Bike Path.

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell has been awarded \$395,186.00 by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) for the construction of a bike path to connect Kensington Estates to John Slidell Park (The Project); and

WHEREAS, DOTD requires that the project be formally sponsored by resolution; and

WHEREAS, DOTD imposes certain other requirements.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

- (1) The City of Slidell shall assume full responsibility for any required match for The Project;
- (2) The City shall be responsible for the design, engineering, construction administration and testing of The Project;
- (3) The City shall be responsible for managing and maintaining The Project;
- (4) The City shall be responsible for any legal liability incurred as a result of the project.

**ADOPTED** this 12th day of August, 2008.

President of the Council Councilman, District E

Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator



GOVERNOR

## STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

P.O. Box 94245 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9245



WILLIAM D ANKNER, Ph. D. SECRETARY

July 1, 2008 (225) 379-1585 JUL 07;

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Mr Ben Morris City of Slidell PO Box 828 Slidell, LA 70458

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RE:

Kensington to John Slidell Park Bike Path

Dear Mr Morris:

I am pleased to inform you that your project has been selected to be included in the Transportation Enhancement Program. Though selected, ineligible items may have been found in the application, please see the attachment for this possibility. Ineligible items may be included in the project, but must be fully funded by the Sponsor.

DOTD is pleased that 79 project applications, totaling almost \$20.6 million, were received for the 2007-2009 Transportation Enhancement Program. This shows continued interest in the program.

Award Sponsors should note that the financial conditions of the program are such that projects just entering the system average three years to progress to bidding. Due to the program's popularity and requirements, projects are scheduled for letting on a first come, first serve basis and once the budgeted funds are exhausted for that year projects are moved to the next fiscal year.

Based on this knowledge, if you would like to accept the project award, please follow the subsequent instructions:

Please note that the project must be sponsored by a governmental body, such as a city, town, or parish. For your project to be formally accepted into the program, the Sponsor must provide the Department with certification in the form of a resolution by the Sponsor's governing body. The resolution should state that the Sponsor will assume full responsibility for the required local match; for design engineering, construction administration and testing; for managing and maintaining the project; and for any legal liability incurred as a result of the project. This certification must be received by DOTD within 60 days of the date of this acceptance letter. Failure to provide the requested certification may result in the removal of the project from the Enhancement Program. Certification letters should be sent to Ms. Valerie Horton, Transportation Enhancement Program Manager, Road Design, (225) 379-1585, e-mail: <a href="mailto:vhorton@dotd.louisana.gov">vhorton@dotd.louisana.gov</a>.

After receipt of the above described resolution, two kick-off seminars will be held, one in north Louisiana and one in Baton Rouge, where DOTD personnel will be available to answer questions about the program and project development for sponsors. Details will be posted at <a href="https://www.dotd.louisiana.gov/planning/tep/tep">www.dotd.louisiana.gov/planning/tep/tep</a> announcements.asp once available.

Information on overall program rules may be found in the Transportation Enhancement Information Guide, latest edition. Guidelines on processing your project may be found in the "I've Got a Project, Now What Do I Do?" Guide, latest edition. Manuals may be obtained on the DOTD website at <a href="https://www.dotd.la.gov">www.dotd.la.gov</a>.

Sponsors are cautioned that any work where the Sponsor expects reimbursement that begins before written authorization is non-compensable. For example, for an 80/20 match project, if design is started before authorization, then none of the work is eligible for compensation!

This letter of notification does not constitute authorization to proceed with any reimbursable portion of the project. This will be done by separate correspondence.

REMEMBER, THIS IS NOT A GRANT PROGRAM! It is a cost-reimbursable program. This means you pay first, then DOTD will reimburse based on approved invoices. Costs incurred before project authorization are not compensable. This correspondence does not constitute authorization. The sponsor will be notified, in writing, when expenditures are authorized. Inclusion in the program does not mean that the project is authorized (money put into an account), as all construction projects must be bid by DOTD, this will be handled by DOTD when the project is ready to be let.

The sponsor will be responsible for obtaining environmental clearance for the project. Please contact Mr. Mike LaFleur, (225) 242-4512, e-mail: <a href="mailto:mlafleur@dotd.la.gov">mlafleur@dotd.la.gov</a>, for details.

Plans and specifications developed by others must be in DOTD format and in agreement with DOTD or applicable, approved standards. Plans and specifications will be reviewed and approved by the Department.

The Department will take bids on the project. Parties to the construction contract are the sponsor and the winning contractor.

Remember, administrative costs, either by sponsors or their consultants, are **not** eligible for compensation.

Please direct any questions or requests for further information to the undersigned at (225) 379-1585.

Sincerely,

Lloyd E. Porta, P. E.

Road Design Engineer Administrator

Valerie Horton, P. E.

Transportation Enhancement

Program Manager

Attachment

	Dict	Parish	Description	Total Request	Is the project eligible?	What's ineligible for funding in the project?
Project Name	DISL	raiisii	Description			
Springfield Community Sidewalks	62	Livingston	Construction of sidewalks to connect and make accessible by walking community buildings including elementary and high schools, public library, City Hall, U.S. Post Office and local churches and businesses	\$114,000.00	yes	
Ponchatoula Pedestrian Project - Phase II	62	Tangipahoa	Removal and replacement, restructure and design of existing sidewalks leading into downtown Ponchatoula.	\$90,250.00	) yes	
Kensington to John Slidell Park Bike Path	62	St Tammany	Construction of a concrete bike path connecting existing bike paths in Kensington and Tanglewood Subdivisions to the John Slidell Park.	\$395,186.00	yes_	
Amite LA 16 Pedestrian Project - Phase I Covington Trailhead Restroom Facilities	1	St.	ADA compliant restrooms and contiguous	\$603,250.0 \$205,900.0		Trailheads to the TE program are in remote or rural areas not in a downtown. This is a park.
and Parking	62	Таттапу	1	\$205,900.0	U no	downtown. This is a parter

