

RESOLUTION # 2006-11

To Support State Legislation That Enables the Formation of A Voluntary Regional Stormwater Management Authority That Is Offered To Incorporated and Unincorporated Areas of Baldwin County, Alabama

WHEREAS, Baldwin County is facing unprecedented pressures on its surface water resources that, left unattended, will have the effect of reducing aesthetics and County property values; and

WHEREAS, these pressures include rapid urban development which greatly increases flooding, increases channel erosion, and causes habitat destruction, aging drainage infrastructure (culverts, ditches, pipes, inlets, etc.) that is not being fully maintained, and deteriorating water quality in streams and the bay due to increasing pollution and sediment runoff; and

WHEREAS, these impacts cannot be entirely avoided or eliminated but can be minimized; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest and the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of **Magnolia Springs, Alabama** to promote effective and efficient management of regional and local stormwater runoff; and

WHEREAS, it is currently recognized that control of stormwater quantity and is most effectively implemented on a watershed scale, across boundaries of individual municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the development and implementation of an effective regional stormwater cooperative program will assist **Magnolia Springs, Alabama** in meeting its stormwater related needs; and

WHEREAS, **Magnolia Springs, Alabama** is responsible for providing appropriate and consistent stormwater services and protections to all its citizens, and to promote compliance with federal and state laws, rules, regulations, and permits relating to stormwater discharges regulated under stormwater rules; and

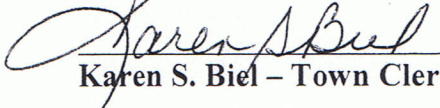
WHEREAS, **Magnolia Springs, Alabama** supports promoting the inter-cooperation of Baldwin County governing bodies in implementing stormwater programs that address stormwater management on a watershed scale and across municipal boundaries; and


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that **Magnolia Springs, Alabama** fully supports State of Alabama Legislation to enable the formation of the Baldwin County Stormwater Cooperative, a totally voluntary public corporation that will both perform key services County-wide and will, optionally, assist local governments who desire in managing their own local stormwater programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the intention of supporting the establishment of the Baldwin County Stormwater Cooperative is made with the understanding that, through the development of a representative board of directors, the methods and procedures they shall use to carry out the stormwater program, to make their respective participation in a public corporation inter-cooperation program optional, and to adopt policies and procedures pertaining to their responsibilities in the program and the procedure for entry into and exit from the program will be determined in such a manner as to promote balance and equity among its members.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in Magnolia Springs, Alabama, this 18th day of December, 2006

ATTEST:


Karen S. Biel - Town Clerk


Charles Houser - Mayor