

Resolution 2009-02

Endorsing the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission as the Grant Applicant to the Southeast Energy Efficiency Alliance

WHEREAS, the Southeast Energy Efficiency Alliance (SEEA) is an alliance of regional residential consumer organizations, large businesses, several regional utilities, federal and state agencies, and a variety of environmental and other non-profit organizations interested in the promotion and achievement of energy efficiency in the Southeast; and

WHEREAS, energy alliances have been successful in promoting energy conservation in other regions of the United States by bringing businesses, utilities, governments, public utility commissions, low income energy advocates, large energy consumers and universities to promote energy efficient policies and practices; and

WHEREAS, the creation of an energy alliance represents an organizational vehicle and program plan to access federal and other funds with a leveraging potential not otherwise likely; and

WHEREAS, the SEEA has issued a Request for Proposals for a grant to design and implement a local energy alliance that will promote energy through public and private partnerships and will conduct energy audits, promote energy conservation, and facilitate the creation of renewable energy through projects accessing funding sources for energy-related projects; and

WHEREAS, the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission, organized pursuant to applicable Alabama Law, has the regional organization structure, 501(c) (3) status, and the resources to coordinate the formation of a regional Energy Alliance for Baldwin County, AL know as the "Baldwin County Energy Alliance"; and

WHEREAS, participation in a regional Energy Alliance may benefit the citizens of; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that the Town of Magnolia Springs endorses the designation of the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission as the grant applicant to the Southeast Energy Efficiency Alliance related to the proposed creation of a "Baldwin County Energy Alliance" and that the Town will appoint a representative to participate in the organization of the Alliance.

DONE, under the Seal of the Town Council of Magnolia Springs, Baldwin County, Alabama on this the 28th day of April, 2009.

TOWN OF MAGNOLIA SPRINGS

Charles S. Houser - Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen S. Biel - Town Clerk