## EASTERN SHORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESOLUTION NO. 2015-06

Authorizing the Use of MPO Funds to Hire a Consultant for Spanish Fort Causeway Master Plan and Overlay Project

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the organization designated by the Governor of the State of Alabama as being responsible, together with the State of Alabama, for implementing the applicable provisions of 23 USC 134 and 135 (amended by MAP-21 Sections 1201 and 1202, July 2012); 42 USC 2000d-1, 7401; 23 CFR 450 and 500; 40 CFR 51 and 93;

**WHEREAS**, the Eastern Shore MPO has excess federal Planning Funds from FY 2013 and FY 2014, and these funds may only be carried over for three years;

WHEREAS, the City of Spanish Fort has requested permission to utilize the excess federal planning funds from FY 2013 and FY 2014 for a Causeway Master Plan and Overlay and has agreed to pay the local match required for the funds;

WHEREAS, the Causeway is one of the primary gateways to the Eastern Shore and its sustainability as a welcoming and efficient transportation corridor is a high priority for the communities on the Eastern Shore; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration have approved the use of remaining FY13 and FY14 Planning Funds, which will require a twenty percent (20%) local match, for the Spanish Causeway Master Plan and Overlay project;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) authorizes the use of FY13 and FY14 MPO Planning funds to hire a consultant to prepare a Spanish Fort Master Plan and Overlay and authorizes MPO staff to take all steps necessary to accommodate the use of these funds by the City of Spanish Fort.

The foregoing resolution was adopted and approved on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015, by the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board.

Mayor Dane Haygood, Vice Chairperson

ATTEST:

Date: 2/12/15