

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of this _____ day of _____, 2000, by and between the undersigned members of the Coastal Georgia Greenway Steering Committee in furtherance of the aims of that organization.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the undersigned are the voting members of the Coastal Georgia Greenway Steering Committee (CGGSC), which was organized to assist in the funding and implementation of the Coastal Georgia Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned are the 10 voting members of the CGGSC, consisting of representatives from 4 nonprofit organizations (Coastal Georgia Land Trust, Coastal Georgia Center for Sustainable Development, Coastal Georgia Resource Conservation and Development Council, and the East Coast Greenway Alliance) and from 6 coastal Georgia counties (Camden, Glynn, McIntosh, Liberty, Bryan, and Chatham); and

WHEREAS, as of their entering into the present agreement, the members of the CGGSC have adopted Articles of Organization (attached as Exhibit A), which guide the manner in which the CGGSC members will work together in coordinated efforts to create the Coastal Georgia Greenway.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. Incorporation of Articles of Organization. It is agreed that the Articles of Organization previously adopted by the members of the CGGSC are hereby incorporated into this document as Exhibit A and are adopted herein as binding legal obligations on the undersigned.

2. Binding nature of decisions. It is agreed that all decisions of the CGGSC in regard to such matters as grant applications, contracting, and other issues related to the distribution, administration, use, and commitment of funds related to the Coastal Georgia Greenway shall be binding on all parties on the execution of such decisions.

3. Voting on decisions. It is agreed that all decisions of the CGGSC in regard to such matters as grant applications, contracting, and other issues related to the distribution, administration, use, and commitment of funds related to the Coastal Georgia Greenway shall be determined by a majority vote of the voting members of the CGGSC when a quorum is present.

4. Revision of decisions. It is agreed that any revision or amendment of any decision made by the CGGSC pursuant to the above shall also be made only by a majority vote of the voting members when a quorum is present.

5. Ownership of lands. It is agreed that any lands acquired for the Coastal Georgia Greenway using state and/or federal funds must be owned by the respective undersigned counties, individually or jointly, or by other political subdivisions of the state, subject to approval by the CGGSC if acquired through actions of the CGGSC. Legal instruments for the protection of these lands, such as conservation easements, may be held by specified non-governmental organizations, such as land trusts, subject to approval by the CGGSC and review by the Attorney General of Georgia.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the voting members of the CGGSC have caused this agreement to be duly executed by their proper officers or representatives as of the date first written above.

Coastal Georgia Land Trust

Date

Coastal Georgia Center for Sustainable Development

Date

Coastal Georgia Resource Conservation &
Development Council

Date

East Coast Greenway Alliance

Date

Chatham County

Date

Bryan County

Date

Liberty County

Date

McIntosh County

Date

Glynn County

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Camden County

Date