

**A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE YELLOW RIVER WATER TRAIL  
FOR THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GA**

WHEREAS, the citizens of the CITY OF COVINGTON value its natural resources and outdoor recreation opportunities afforded by the Yellow River; and

WHEREAS, the citizens value the Yellow River for water quality and habitat protection; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the CITY OF COVINGTON will greatly benefit from the recreational and natural experiences provided by the water trail and

WHEREAS, providing access to the river is a desired goal of the City; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the CITY OF COVINGTON and visitors from throughout the State of Georgia and the United States have for more than twenty (20) years regularly and openly enjoyed and exercised a right of passage by boat on the Yellow River as it travels through Newton County, thereby establishing a public easement of passage on the river; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF COVINGTON has participated with (DeKalb, Gwinnett, Newton and Rockdale County) to study and evaluate this water trail; and

WHEREAS, this water trail is consistent with the comprehensive land use plan of the CITY OF COVINGTON for recreational facilities for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF COVINGTON has previously supported activities that promote recreation on the river and has been a partner in the feasibility study for the water trail; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the CITY OF COVINGTON have indicated their support for the water trail at (meetings or other events); and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF COVINGTON affirms and supports the water trail, beginning in Newton County and ending at the confluence with Jackson Lake, to be of value and benefit to the citizens of the CITY OF COVINGTON and its neighboring counties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the CITY OF COVINGTON, Georgia;

Section 1: That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption; and

Section 2: That we hereby direct each department in the City to work together and separately to implement this plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 2013.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

