

# **AIRPORT COMMISSION**

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS DATE: JULY 8, 2015

FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION AND PROJECT UPDATE - APRON

REHABILITIATION. HANGAR REHABILITATION. WESTSIDE

PROJECT AND AIRPORT LIGHTING UPGRADES

### ISSUE:

The issue for Airport Commission consideration is to receive an update on ongoing and future capital improvement projects at the Riverside Municipal Airport.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Airport Commission receive this report on the ongoing and future capital improvement projects at the Riverside Municipal Airport.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The purpose of this report is to provide the Airport Commission (Commission) with an update on the ongoing and future capital improvement projects occurring at the Riverside Municipal Airport (RMA). A few projects noted below were previously considered and approved by the Commission, while others are more routine in scope. The Airport Manager will provide regular updates so as to keep the Commission informed of the progress made.

#### • Apron Rehabilitation Project

Airport staff is currently working with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to finalize a grant to rehabilitate approximately 600,000 square feet of apron on RMA property. The FAA requires the apron rehabilitation be separated into two phases (Phase 1 – Engineering/Design and Phase II – Construction). Grant funds can be used for Phase II construction only. Phase I is scheduled for summer 2015 and Phase II of the project is scheduled for summer 2016.

## Hangar Rehabilitation Project

Staff will be seeking bids to paint several hangar rows this fall. This project is part of the overall effort to bring the airport up to standards expected of its current and future tenants. Painting will follow the new color scheme for all buildings on the

airport – buildings will be painted Swiss Coffee, and trim will be completed in a brown.

## • Westside Project Request for Proposals

The proposed Westside Project will encompass approximately 21 acres and provide an opportunity for the Airport to increase its tenant base by approximately 30%. Requests for Proposals were issued on April 9, 2015. Bidding closed for the Westside Project on June 11, 2015. Staff is currently reviewing applicant submittals and had a panel interview on July 6, 2015. From the proposal received, it is anticipated this project will add approximately 50-60 hangars and provide accommodations for the expansion of existing flight schools.

# • Airport Lighting Upgrades

Airport staff is currently upgrading 30 ramp lights along Gemende Drive from high pressure sodium lamps to LED lights. The RMA is participating in the rebate program offered by Riverside Public Utilities that will off-set up to 50% of the cost to purchase the new lights. Installation of the lighting is being completed by airport staff. Once this project is completed, staff intends to upgrade the lights located in the main parking lot near the terminal building. RMA staff anticipates completion of this project by September 2015.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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