



*City of Arts & Innovation*

# City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: MAY 19, 2020

FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WARD: 3

SUBJECT: ACCEPT FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE  
CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT FOR  
RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,000 –  
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

## **ISSUE:**

Accept Federal grant funds authorized under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act for Riverside Municipal Airport in the amount of \$69,000.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

1. Authorize the acceptance of Federal grant funds authorized under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act in the amount of \$69,000;
2. Upon grant award, authorize an increase in Airport grant revenues in the amount of \$69,000 and appropriate expenditures to the Airport grant expenditure account;
3. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all grant documents, including making minor non-substantive changes.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On March 25, 2020, Congress enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). Provisions of the CARES Act authorized the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to grant airports \$10 billion to help offset the economic impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic. The FAA determined that based on the size and activity level of the Riverside Municipal Airport, the Airport is approved to receive \$69,000 in grant funds.

## **DISCUSSION:**

On April 17, 2020, Airport staff, along with all U.S. airports, participated in a conference call with the FAA Administrator. The call summarized the CARES Act provisions for airports and

announced that airports would be able spend the grant money for any expense airport revenue is normally used for, including personnel costs, utilities and equipment.

Staff has preliminarily identified the following areas the grant money may be used for:

- Airport staff costs during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Expansion of existing security camera system
- Rehabilitation of airport gate and security system wiring
- Upgrade/replacement of gate openers at two perimeter drive gates

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The CARES Act grant amount is \$69,000. Upon City Council approval, revenues will be increased in the amount of \$69,000 in Airport CARES grant account 9170100-331100 and the same amount will be appropriated in Airport CARES grant account 9170100-411000. There is no matching grant requirement.

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