



Airport Commission

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS **DATE: APRIL 9, 2026**

FROM: AIRPORT **WARD: 3**

SUBJECT: AIRPORT MANAGER’S OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITY REPORT

ISSUE:

Receive the April 2026 Airport Manager’s Operations and Activity Report, which includes January-February 2026 aircraft operations data, July 2025 to February 2026 financial data, and review of airport highlights and events.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Airport Commission receive the April 2026 Airport Manager’s Operations and Activity Report.

BACKGROUND:

The Airport Manager’s Operation and Activity Report provides the Airport Commission (Commission) with updates on operational performance City Council actions, events, meetings and other matters affecting the Riverside Municipal Airport (Airport).

DISCUSSION:

This update includes information about Airport operations, financials, and highlights.

Key Operational and Financial Statistics

Aircraft Operations:

Aircraft Operations			
Prior Year to Date Versus Current Year To Date	Jan-Feb 2025	Jan-Feb 2026	Year to Date
	18,701	20,918	+11.8%
Prior Year Month Versus Current Year Month	February 2025	February 2026	
	11,259	10,248	-8.9%

NOTE: FAA air traffic statistics are reported on a calendar year basis,

For the first two months of 2026, aircraft activity is up 11.8% for the same period one year prior. While February 2025 operational activity is down 8.9% from February 2025, 2026 is still projected to be a strong year.

Financials:

Airport Financials					
July 01, 2025 – February 2028					
	OPERATING BUDGET	ACTUAL	% TO GOAL	Projection Through End of FY	
Expenditures ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,272,319.32	\$ 1,095,082.11	48.2% ³	\$2,272,319.32	
Revenues ⁽²⁾	\$ 2,274,000.00	\$ 1,739,257.10	76.5%	\$2,500,000.00	
⁽¹⁾ Includes adjustments and encumbrances					
⁽²⁾ Preliminary figures as of 2/28/26					
⁽³⁾ 66.67% complete with FY					

Eight months into the current fiscal year, expenditures are nearly 19% below budget, while revenues are nearly 10% above projections. Expenditures will track closer to budget with the completion of several upcoming projects (e.g., marquee installation) funded from the operating budget, whereas revenues will likely continue tracking above budget as the airport continues to diversify revenue streams and actively pursues the collection of outstanding invoices.

Highlights

Airport Pavement Management Study (APMS)

An airport-wide, FAA-funded Airport Pavement Management Study (APS) is currently underway and is expected to be completed by Fall 2026. Once complete, it will provide airport staff significant insight into the condition of airport pavements, enabling more informed decision-making and prioritization of future pavement rehabilitation and maintenance projects.

Aerospace Expo

Airport staff, in coordination with Community and Economic Development and Marketing & Communication have been busy preparing for the 2nd Annual Aerospace Expo. This event, to be held on April 11, 2026 will be hosted by the Commemorative Air Force on their ramp and in their hangar. The community is invited to attend this event to learn about the many career pathways in aviation.

Roofing Project

The first phase of our airport-wide roofing replacements/rehabilitation is now complete. The Parflight hangar, west roof of Waypoint Aviation, and the main terminal building all received new or rehabilitated roofs. Phase 2 is scheduled to take place this Fall.

Recent City Council and Committee Actions:

- Authorize Supplemental Agreements related to Master Agreement with Mead and Hunt, Inc., for increased amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 per firm consisting of on call design, engineering and construction management services associated with miscellaneous Airport Capital Improvement Projects, and other projects included in Airport Master Plan with subsequent reports back to the City Council from time to time on addition or deletion of new panel members (Ward 3).
- Second Amendment to Lease Agreement with Commemorative Air Force, a Texas Nonprofit Corporation, for estimated revenue of \$60,402 for approximately 18,995 square feet of hangar/office building at Riverside Airport through December 31, 2030 - 6936 Flight Road (Ward 3)

Upcoming City Council Actions

- Long-term 5-year agreement CAVU
- Long-term 10-year agreement Waypoint Aviation
- Introduce an Ordinance amending Chapter 12.04 of the Riverside Municipal Code regarding Airport Regulations and Amending Section 12.14.025 regarding incursions into Aircraft Movement Areas.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with receiving this monthly activity report.

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Attachment: Presentation