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MEMORANDUM Economic Development - Airport - Memo No. AP13-006

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2012
TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
THRU: RICH DLUGAS, CITY MANAGER *AD*
PAT MCDERMOTT, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER *[Signature]*
CHRISTINE MACKAY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR *[Signature]*
FROM: LORI QUAN, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST *LQ*
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 4635 – FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE AUTOMATED WEATHER OBSERVING SYSTEM (AWOS).

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 4635 authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$275,000 for the construction of the Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS).

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Airport anticipates receiving a Federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grant to construct an Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS). Chandler Municipal's current system, which was constructed in 1992 with AIP funds, is no longer supported by the manufacturer. This replacement system will provide a reliable source of weather reporting for pilots who use the Airport.

The project design was approved previously and is currently being advertised for public bid, however, the FAA requires the grant offer be signed on or before September 7, 2012. Once the Apparent Low Bidder is identified through the public bid process, the formal contract and final amount will be brought back before Council for its approval. The anticipated grant amount is based on an estimate of probable costs from our engineer and represents the Federal share of the project.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: This project is in the current 5-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Federal grants represent 91.06% of total project costs. An ADOT grant is anticipated for 4.47% of the project costs. Staff has identified the remaining 4.47% local matching share in the Airport Operating Fund.

PROPOSED MOTION: Staff recommends that Council move to pass and adopt Resolution No. 4635 authorizing of the City to enter into a grant agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to accept an AIP grant in an amount not to exceed \$275,000 for the construction of the Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS).

Attachments: Resolution No. 4635

RESOLUTION NO. 4635

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA), TO ACCEPT AN AIP GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$275,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE AUTOMATED WEATHER OBSERVING SYSTEM (AWOS).

WHEREAS, the City of Chandler owns the Chandler Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) periodically programs federal funds to municipal airport facilities through its grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the FAA requires the City of Chandler as the Airport Sponsor of the Chandler Municipal Airport to sign grant agreements accepting Airport Improvement Program Grants; and

WHEREAS, City Staff was notified that it was eligible to receive a grant in a sum not to exceed \$275,000 from the FAA if it accepted the grant offer by September 7, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the FAA grant will provide funding necessary for the construction of the Airport Weather Observing System (AWOS) Replacement.

WHEREAS, to secure such grant funding within the specified time period, the City will accept the grant offer in a not to exceed amount but will then follow procedure through the hard bid process to identify the Apparent Low Bidder, which will come back before City Council for formal approval at a public meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona in that the Mayor of the City of Chandler is authorized to accept an FAA grant offer in an amount not to exceed of \$275,000 for the construction of the Airport Weather Observing System (AWOS) Replacement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, this ____ day of _____, 2012.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 4635 was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2012, and that a quorum was present thereat.

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney GAB