



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

02-452

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

AGENDA:

AUGUST 19, 2002

SYNOPSIS -

A review of Airport security equipment and heightened security requirements resulting from the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack have resulted in a security improvements project at the Des Moines International Airport that has received funding through a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant with a maximum federal share of \$820,000. The Airport Board authorized the application for this grant and recommended it to the City Council for acceptance on August 6, 2002 (Resolution No. A02-167).

SUBJECT:

FEDERAL AVIATION
ADMINISTRATION
GRANT 33

FISCAL IMPACT -

TYPE:

**RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE**

This project is estimated at \$911,111 and is eligible for FAA AIP Grant reimbursement for 100 percent of the construction cost to a maximum of \$820,000. A provision in the grant allows FAA to adjust the maximum \$820,000 to a statutory limit of 15 percent above the \$820,000 if additional funds of this type are available at the closeout of this project. If no additional funds are available at that time, the Airport has budgeted for the remainder to be locally funded through available Airport Enterprise Funds in CIP Project EN004, AIR990000, AIR121, Index Code 612465.

SUBMITTED BY:

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CITY ENGINEER

WILLIAM
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AVIATION
DIRECTOR

RECOMMENDATION -

(1) Approve execution and acceptance of a FAA AIP Grant for funding of the Airport Security Improvements Project; (2) Ratify and adopt all assurances, warranties, covenants and agreements required by project application and incorporated in grant offer; (3) Direct Mayor to execute Grant Agreement, City Clerk to attest, and Aviation attorney to certify to grant execution for a 100 percent federal share FAA Grant in an amount of \$820,000 or any additional funding that FAA would make available to the City of Des Moines at the close of this project.

BACKGROUND -

Last fall as the Airport began to respond to the heightened security needs resulting from the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack, it became evident that updating some of the Airport's security gates and equipment would be necessary to adequately respond to new FAA and subsequent Transportation Security Administration (TSA) requirements. Additional TSA mandates have required new fingerprinting equipment and higher levels of police support.

On November 14, 2001, Airport and Engineering staff prepared a preliminary application for funding for these heightened security needs. This project is consistent with the Airport's Master Plan and is essential for the Airport to meet current security requirements. The scope of work for the project includes new fingerprinting equipment, security gate upgrades, the construction of new security gates, upgrading the security system with digital cameras and video recorders, a blast study to analyze parking facilities near the terminal, and the remodeling of an existing office to accommodate the expanded police support.

On March 7, 2002, the Airport received notification from FAA staff of a tentative allocation of \$820,000 from the FY 2002 Federal AIP to assist the Des Moines International Airport in funding these security infrastructure projects.

On June 11, 2002, by Resolution No. A02-125, the Airport Board authorized the submission of the grant to FAA. On July 17, 2001, the Airport received the grant offer from the FAA. The grant offer indicated that 100 percent of the project costs would be eligible for reimbursement but did not increase the amount to 100 percent of the estimated project cost. A provision in the grant allows the grant to be adjusted by FAA staff up to a statutory limit of 15 percent above the \$820,000, or \$943,000 if funds of this type are available.

On August 6, 2002 by Resolution No. A02-167, the Airport Board recommended that the City Council accept the \$820,000 federal AIP grant.

FAA staff has required the grant application be executed by September 17, 2002, in order to obtain these security grant monies.
