

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



DATE: 7/23/2013 **REFERENCE NO.:** **G-17941 **LOG NAME:** 55FTW ARFF VEHICLE
CODE: G **TYPE:** CONSENT **PUBLIC HEARING:** NO
SUBJECT: Authorize Application for and Acceptance of, if Awarded, a Grant from the Texas Department of Transportation, Aviation Division in the Amount Up to \$800,000.00 for the Acquisition of an Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Vehicle at Fort Worth Meacham International Airport, Authorize Expenditure in the Amount Up to \$80,000.00 for the City's Grant Match and Adopt Appropriation Ordinances (COUNCIL DISTRICT 2)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the application for, and acceptance of, if awarded, a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation, Aviation Division for the acquisition of an Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting vehicle at Fort Worth Meacham International Airport in the amount up to \$800,000.00;
2. Authorize the use of revenue derived from gas well drilling on City-owned airports in the amount up to \$80,000.00 to provide for the City's ten percent grant match;
3. Adopt the attached ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Airports Gas Lease Project Fund in the amount of \$80,000.00;
4. Adopt the attached resolution providing that the amount of \$80,000.00 in gas well revenue funds will be available for the acquisition of an Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting vehicle at Fort Worth Meacham International Airport and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute all necessary contracts associated with this project with the Texas Department of Transportation;
5. Authorize a transfer in the amount of \$80,000.00 from the Airports Gas Lease Project Fund to the Airport Grants Fund for the City's ten percent grant match; and
6. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Airport Grants Fund in the amount of \$880,000.00, subject to receipt of the grant.

DISCUSSION:

Meacham International Airport (Meacham) is a Class IV, Part 139 Airport and is required to comply with all Federal Aviation Administration Part 139 requirements. Meacham receives unscheduled commercial charters throughout the year which require an Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) index to be maintained 15 minutes before arrival until 15 minutes after departure.

The Airport Certification Manual update requires the airport to meet Part 139 Index-B requirements for ARFF on a Prior Permission Required basis. Index-B requires one truck or two trucks to carry 500 pounds of sodium-based dry chemical, Halon 1211 or clean agent and 1,500 gallons of water and the commensurate quantity of Aqueous Film Forming Foam for foam production.

Meacham's current ARFF vehicle was built in 1995 and although it is still operational, it has far exceeded its useful life and has become costly to operate and maintain.

The City will use revenue derived from gas well drilling for the City's 10 percent grant match.

The Aviation Advisory Board recommended approval of this action on June 20, 2013.

Meacham Airport is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 2.

FISCAL INFORMATION/CERTIFICATION:

The Financial Management Services Director certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, funds will be available in the current capital budget, as appropriated, of the Airport Grants Fund.

TO Fund/Account/Centers

2) P240 446200 551929990100 \$80,000.00
 3) P240 538040 551929990100 \$80,000.00
 4) GR14 451942 055302663000 \$800,000.00
 4) GR14 476240 055302663000 \$80,000.00
 4) GR14 541360 055302663010 \$880,000.00

FROM Fund/Account/Centers

3) P240 538040 551929990100 \$80,000.00

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ATTACHMENTS

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