

REGULAR SESSION

September 14, 2017

The Airport Advisory Board met in Regular Session on Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Development Services Center, 622 S. Prairieville St., Athens,

Charlie Tidmore
Sheri Robson
John Cain
Larry Babb

Thanasis Kombos, Assistant City Manager
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary

others present: Janicia Evans, John Irvin:

with the following member absent: Steve Grant

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 8, 2017 REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by member Cain, seconded by Member Robson to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2017 Regular Session with a correction to the minutes to reflect a 90/10 matching grant from TxDOT. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ALL MATTERS RELATED TO RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL FOR AIRPORT ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY STUDY

Thanasis Kombos, Assistant City Manager, presented the Airport Economic Feasibility Study. He stated the proposal is from R. A. Wiedemann & Associates, Inc. (contract administered by Garver Engineering). He stated that the County appropriated \$15,000 towards the Economic Feasibility Study for Athens Municipal Airport.

Mr. Kombos identified the recommended scope for the study which includes the following:

- Economic impact
- Runway/Airport Construction Impacts
- Industrial Park Construction Impacts (estimated)
- Industrial Park Operational Impacts (estimated)
- Three Case Studies of similar sized airports and the impact of jet-capable facilities on business development
- Work products:
 - Executive Summary
 - Promotional Video

After discussion, a motion was made by Member Robson, seconded by Member Babb to recommend approval of a proposal for Airport Economic Feasibility Study. The motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN RELATING TO THE CITY OF ATHENS

John Irvin stated he was very interested in the airport expansion. He stated he had performed research on how to expand the airport. He provided information regarding a canopy for taxing to allow protection for passengers during inclement weather.

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER UPDATE

Mr. Kombos provided the following update:

- Kickoff meeting with Garver Engineering and TxDOT for the engineering phase of the pavement maintenance project was held

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests for future agenda items.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

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PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 9th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017.

Charlie Tidmore, Chairman

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary