

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular MeetingDirector's Name:Mark GaleDepartment:AviationDivision:Finance

Information

Requested Action

<u>MOTION TO NOTE FOR THE RECORD AND RATIFY</u> action taken by the County Administrator, on behalf of Broward County, to execute a Federal Aviation Administration Grant Agreement for Airport Improvement Program Project No. 3-12-0029-011-2020; for the Broward County's North Perry Airport Runway Safety Enhancements Project; and to authorize the County Administrator to take the necessary administrative and budgetary actions; and approve any non-monetary amendments to the agreement, subject to the Office of the County Attorney approving as to legal sufficiency. This grant provides additional funding up to a maximum amount of \$1,614,518 and does not require a local match.

Why Action is Necessary

Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") approval is required for ratification and the County Administrator must provide notice to the Board of all grant agreements signed during a scheduled Board recess or period of time when the Board does not formally meet, and non-action of Broward County ("County") will jeopardize receipt of the grant.

What Action Accomplishes

Provides notice and ratifies the actions taken by the County Administrator to execute a Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") grant agreement during a time where emergency approval was required to meet the national grant execution deadline set forth by the FAA.

Is this Action Goal Related

No

Previous Action Taken None.

Summary Explanation/Background

THE AVIATION DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTION.

The action provides notice and ratifies the actions taken by the County Administrator to execute a FAA grant agreement during a time where emergency approval was required to meet the national grant execution deadline set forth by the FAA.

Section 20.31.b.3, Broward County Administrative Code, authorizes the County Administrator to

execute any and all grants agreements on behalf of the Board during any scheduled Board recess and during any period of time when the Board does not formally meet and non-action by the County would jeopardize receipt of a grant. The FAA awarded Broward County Aviation Department ("BCAD") a grant on September 8, 2020, with an execution deadline of September 15, 2020. In order to accept and fully execute the grant, BCAD needed to adhere to FAA's national grant execution deadline of September 15, 2020. The FAA deadline did not allow enough time to include the grant agreement on the Agenda for the September 10, 2020, or September 22, 2020, Board meetings. Per the recommendation of the Broward County Grants Administration office, the County Administrator executed the grant agreement on September 11, 2020, for submission to the FAA.

Due to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act created in 2020, all Airport Improvement Program ("AIP") grants awarded by the FAA are issued at 100% award. The County does not need to provide a local match.

The FAA awarded BCAD with Grant Agreement 03-12-0029-011-2020 for Broward County's North Perry Airport ("HWO") Runway Safety Enhancements Project ("Project"). The Project addresses potential safety issues on the southwest corner of HWO where the approach ends of Runways 10R and 1L converge. The Project will reduce 350 feet of pavement on Runway 1L and add 207 feet of Pavement to Runway 10R and the south parallel Taxiway "L". The safety enhancement is solely undertaken to reduce the potential for a runway incursion, including wrong runway departures. There will be no change to the operational conditions, type of aircraft that utilize HWO, or capacity at HWO. The safety enhancement will benefit the communities to the east and southeast of HWO as departing aircraft on Runway 10R will be at a higher altitude, over those areas. The action will allow for the tie in of a future Taxiway "A" as identified in the latest draft Airport Master Plan which, if constructed, will serve Runway 1L-19R. The total amount of the grant awarded is \$1,614,518 using FAA discretionary funds.

The Grant Agreement has been reviewed by the Office of the County Attorney and approved as to form. However, the agreement does not include the County's standard agreement provisions because the FAA requires the use of its form agreement

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

This project is budgeted in the Aviation Department's HWO Capital Fund, 40550.