

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM

Acceptance of TxDOT Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) for Skylark Field.

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

Aviation

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Aviation Division works directly with airports to assist in maintaining FAA safety standards and ensure that vital aviation links to all parts of Texas are maintained for commerce and emergency air transport. One form of assistance available to airports through TxDOT is the Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) which can provide up to \$50,000 each year for airport maintenance and minor capital funding on a 50/50 match basis.

DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION

TxDOT has offered to the City of Killeen a RAMP grant of \$10,000 for use at Skylark Field. This grant will be used to match an equal amount of airport enterprise fund and airport capital improvement fund money to provide \$20,000 of airport maintenance expenses and minor capital improvements at Skylark Field. The City's FY 2015-16 line item budget assumes receipt of a portion of this grant and authorizes expenditures in repair, maintenance, and professional service accounts. Some of the specific work intended for 50% funding with this grant offer includes perimeter fence and gate repairs, T-hangar and General Aviation terminal building maintenance, fuel farm repairs, surveillance camera system maintenance, erosion control, and storm water consultant professional services. It also includes the purchase of airfield lighting parts (bulbs, globes, transformers, etc), herbicide, pesticide, pavement marking paint, reflective beads, and security camera licenses. In the event that eligible airport expenses exceed \$20,000, this grant may be amended up to the \$50,000 annual limit.

FISCAL IMPACT

Revenue from this grant will be deposited in account number 527-0000-386.05-01 TxDOT Projects. Conditions of the grant require that the City first pay 100% of the eligible project work and submit copies of receipts for the 50% reimbursement. The reimbursement typically occurs during the last month of the fiscal year.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend the City Council accept the TxDOT Routine Airport Maintenance Program grant, TxDOT Project No. M1609KILE, in the amount of \$10,000, adopt all assurances, statements, representations, covenants, and agreements incorporated into this grant agreement, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement as accepted by the City. The City

Manager is expressly authorized to execute any and all amendments to the grant within the amounts set by state and local law.