



City of Killeen

Legislation Text

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Consider a memorandum/resolution accepting a Federal Aviation Administration Airport Terminal Program Grant for the Solar Project at Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport.

DATE: June 20, 2023

TO: Kent Cagle, City Manager

FROM: Mike Wilson, Executive Director of Aviation

SUBJECT: FAA Grant Acceptance-Airport Terminal Program Solar Project

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced the opportunity for airports to apply for approximately \$968 million in FY 2023 discretionary funds for the Airport Terminal Program (ATP). The ATP is one of the grant programs created under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. The purpose of the ATP is to make annual grants, for five years, available to eligible airports for airport terminal development projects that address the aging infrastructure of the nation's airports. This is a competitive grant that we competed for against a large number of airports across the country. There were only 104 projects selected at 99 airports.

The City of Killeen was selected to receive an ATP grant in the amount of \$5,000,000. This grant will be combined with funding from the Aviation Department's Customer Facility Charge (CFC) to fund the retrofit of the entire airport campus with energy efficient LED lighting as well as solar integrated covered parking in our car rental parking area and a portion of our short-term parking lot. A covered canopy from the terminal to the Car Rental area will also be added. This project will decrease our operational expenses by lowers our energy usage, increases resiliency, reduces the airport's carbon footprint, and provides an upgrade to the customer experience by providing covered parking options.

Acceptance of this grant requires the City to make assurances related to the continued availability of the Airport to the public and compliance with a number of Federal Regulations and standards.

THE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

1. Do not accept the grant
2. Accept the grant

Which alternative is recommended? Why?

Alternative 2 is recommended because:

1. Acceptance of the ATP Grant will fund \$5 million of the total \$7.1 million for the purchase and

installation of solar panels and the LED retrofit at the Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This item conforms to local and state policies.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

What is the amount of the expenditure in the current fiscal year? For future years?

There is no expenditure associated with accepting the ATP grant.

Is this a one-time or recurring expenditure?

N/A

Is this expenditure budgeted?

N/A

If not, where will the money come from?

N/A

Is there a sufficient amount in the budgeted line-item for this expenditure?

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

City Council accept the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Terminal Program Grant in the amount of \$5,000,000 and recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all contract documents and any and all change orders or actions within the amounts set by state and local law.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Finance
Legal
Purchasing

ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Grant Offer