

ITEM #: 14
 DATE: 09-10-24
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2023/24 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (WILDLIFE FENCE)

BACKGROUND:

On August 6, 2024, the City Council accepted the bids for the 2023/24 Airport Improvements Program (Wildlife Fence) project and submitted a grant application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for federal funding. The project was awarded by City Council with the condition that the federal funding agreement from the FAA is secured to provide full project funding. The previous Council Action Form is attached for reference.

The estimated cost of this project is \$3,002,305, of which \$2,626,519 will come from a federal FAA grant. (See Budget Table Below)

Revenues	Costs	Expenses	Costs
Federal AIP Funds	\$2,626,519	Consultant Services:	
Iowa DOT Funds	\$58,400	Administration	\$1,000
Airport Improvement Funds (previously budgeted)	\$218,000	CATEX/Env. Review	\$77,700
Airport Improvement Funds (new)	\$99,386	Design	\$147,200
		Cont. Inspection	\$160,400
		Contractor:	
		Construction	\$2,616,005
Totals	\$3,002,305	Totals	\$3,002,305

Since that August meeting, staff has received the FAA grant agreement, which has been reviewed and approved by the Legal Department. Once the agreement is fully executed, the City can issue the notice to proceed to Minturn, Inc., the contractor awarded the project.

The FAA has indicated that the grant agreement must be signed and returned by September 15, 2024, to be included in this round of federal appropriations. After City Council takes action, the signature process will follow the FAA's e-signature procedure through the City's authorized representatives.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the federal funding agreement from the Federal Aviation Administration
2. Reject the funding agreement and direct staff to determine alternative ways to fund the project.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By approving the grant agreement, the City will ensure an important safety improvement proceeds as planned at the Airport. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as shown above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

[August 6 2024 CAF.pdf](#)

[AMW-CEG-3-19-0004-033-2024-Grant Agreement_encrypted_.pdf](#)