

Information Item

Date: October 10, 2017

To: The City Manager

From: Derwick L. Paige, Assistant City Manager

Subject:

Approve Modification of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Inter-Local Agreement with the Airport Commission of Forsyth County for Infrastructure and Hangar Improvements.

Strategic Focus Area: Economic Vitality and Diversity

Strategic Objective: Recruit and Retain Employers

Strategic Plan Action Item: Expand efforts to promote aviation in the Piedmont Triad

Key Work Item: Yes



In May 2016, the Mayor and City Council authorized the City to provide up to \$1.2 million (\$150,000/year) from the general fund balance over an 8-year period to assist the Airport Commission in completing some of its capital projects. Funds would be provided contingent upon equal matching operational or capital funds being provided by Forsyth County. Funding was also contingent upon the City allocation being approved annually and the property remaining within the corporate limits.

At the time, the Airport Commission of Forsyth County (Airport Commission) had identified more than \$25 million in needed capital improvements. Many of these projects have safety implications for the airport and adjoining neighborhoods including a taxiway extension; a new parallel taxiway (relocation of current taxiway) that currently does not meet separation requirements; clearing terrain obstructions; runway edge lighting; fencing around the entire perimeter of the airfield; and replacement of aging hanger facilities. Many of these improvements also are needed to meet mandatory federal requirements.

While the property remained within the corporate limits because of changes in state law, the runways and taxiways became exempt from paying stormwater fees which led to loss revenues of \$46,176. As a result of this change, City funds were not budgeted for 2017-18. This item authorizes modifying the original inter-local agreement to reduce the City's future contribution to \$100,000/year from the general fund balance for a 7-year period, including FY 2017-18. All other conditions will remain the same.

Airport Commission Impervious Surface Area

	Impervious surface area (sq ft)	Total Annual Billing
Total Impervious Surface Area (All parcels combined)	6,280,751	\$119,818.73
Removed Impervious Surface Area from Airport Main Parcel (Runways and Taxiways)	-2,420,508	-\$46,176.36
Adjusted Annual Billing for the Airport Commission	3,860,243	\$73,642.38