

# **Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority Board Regular Board Meeting**

**Meeting Minutes** June 21, 2022

#### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

#### ı. Call to Order

Mr. Tom Benton, Board Chairman, called the Meeting of the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority Board to order at 5:15 PM on June 21, 2022 in Grand Junction, Colorado and in the County of Mesa. The meeting was hosted in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room as well as electronically.

## **Commissioners Present:**

Tom Benton (Chairman) Clay Tufly (Vice Chairman)

**Erling Brabaek** Thaddeus Shrader Linde Marshall

Rick Taggart Ron Velarde

**Airport Staff:** 

Angela Padalecki (Executive Director)

Dan Reimer (Counsel)

Sarah Menge

Dylan Heberlein

Ben Peck

Cameron Reece (Clerk)

Shelagh Flesch

## **Guests:**

Jeremy Lee, Mead and Hunt Brad Rolf, Mead and Hunt Brian Mohr, InterVISTAS Lisa Meacham, Plante Moran Jennifer LaPorte, Plante Moran Jon Labrum, Crestone Aviation

Kyle Williams, AECOM

Drew Armstrong, Audit Committee

Jim McConnell, Aero GJT

Larry Kempton III, Kempton Air

#### II. Pledge of Allegiance

#### III. **Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Tufly made a motion to approve the June 21, 2022 Board Agenda. Commissioner Shrader seconded the motion. Voice Vote: All Ayes; motion carries.

#### IV. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Benton commented on staff for outstanding job at the Colorado Airport Operators Association (CAOA) Spring Conference and hosting the events with such a great agenda and events. Commissioner Benton thanked West Star Aviation for hosting the dinner event that was held at their hangar as well as II Bistro for catering great food for the event.

Commissioner Velarde also commented and thanked staff for job well done on CAOA Conference with the hospitality and jet fly over was spectacular.

Commissioner Tufly commented and thanked West Star Aviation and the team for the use of their paint hangar during the CAOA dinner event.

### V. Citizen Comments

Mr. Erling Brabaek with GMF Investments commented on the General Aviation area Foreign Object Debris (FOD) problem. Mr. Brabaek believes the FOD problem is from the leaseholders that aren't appropriately maintaining their leaseholds. Mr. Brabaek showed commissioners evidence from sweeping the apron in front of the hangar he operates out of with 40 ounces of debris in plastic bottles. Mr. Brabaek asks the airport to hold other leaseholders accountable.

Mr. Jon Labrum with Crestone Aviation said he believes we have a problem with adequate space for airplanes. Mr. Labrum said he receives calls from people looking for hangar space and he has to tell them no.

Mr. Labrum said current staff, Angela and Dylan have been great to work with and we have a good start but we need to have a fresh look at development. Mr. Labrum said we need solve the problem now, and he knows we are working on it through planning, but we need a short-term fix. Mr. Labrum has other items he listed to Commissioners but wanted to bring awareness and he looks forward to discussing those items at a later time.

### VI. Consent Agenda

### A. May 17, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Approval of May 17, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

## B. Revised 2022 AIP Grant Applications

Approve the modified grant applications that correspond to the grant applications originally approved on December 7, 2022, at the request of the FAA, based on anticipated grant funding availability.

Commissioner Brabaek made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Velarde seconded the motion. Voice Vote: All Ayes; motion carries.

#### VII. Action

# A. Grant Agreement AIP 75 – Runway 12/30 Grading and Drainage Package Schedules 4-7 and Utility Infrastructure Design

Accept FAA AIP Grant No. 3-08-0027-075-2022 in the amount of \$1,433,000 for Runway 12/30 Grading and Drainage Package Schedules 4-7 and Utility Infrastructure Design and authorize the Executive Director to sign the Co-Sponsorship Agreements with the City of Grand Junction and Mesa County.

Commissioner Marshall made a motion to Accept FAA AIP Grant No. 3-08-0027-075-2022 in the amount of \$1,433,000 for Runway 12/30 Grading and Drainage Package Schedules 4-7 and Utility Infrastructure Design and authorize the Executive Director to sign the Co-Sponsorship Agreements with the City of Grand Junction and Mesa County. Commissioner Brabaek seconded the motion. Voice Vote: All Ayes; motion carries.

#### VIII. Discussion

- A. 2021 Draft Audit Presentation by Plante Moran
  - Presentation by Lisa Meacham, Engagement Partner and Jennifer LaPorte, Senior Auditor, on the 2021 financial statement audit.
- B. Airport Development Plan Update InterVISTAS

# IX. Staff Reports

- A. Executive Director Report (Angela Padalecki)
- B. Finance and Activity Report (Sarah Menge)
- C. Capital Improvement Plan Update (Colin Bible)

# X. Any other business which may come before the Board

#### XI. Executive Session

Commissioner Brabaek made a motion to move into Executive session pursuant to CRS Sections 24-6-402(4)(a) and 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purpose of receiving advice from legal counsel on specific legal questions related to the Sky Adventures Lease and for the purpose of receiving advice from legal counsel on specific legal questions related to the West Star Lease.

Commissioner Shrader seconded the motion. Voice Vote: All Ayes; motion carries.

Commissioner Shrader made a motion to move from Executive Session back into a public meeting. Commissioner Brabaek seconded the motion. Voice Vote: All Ayes; motion carries.

### XII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:12pm

Audio recording of the complete meeting can be found at <a href="https://gjairport.com/Board\_Meetings">https://gjairport.com/Board\_Meetings</a>

Tom Benton, Board Chairman		
ATTEST:		
Cameron Reece, Clerk to the Board		