

RESOLUTION NO. 68-26

APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FAA AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT OFFER NO. 3-08-0027-092-2026 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO SIGN

RECITALS:

The Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority (GJRAA or Airport Authority) is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, organized pursuant to Section 41-3-101 et seq., C.R.S., and is the owner and operator of the Grand Junction Regional Airport (Airport). The Airport Authority is a separate and distinct entity from the City of Grand Junction (City).

The Airport Authority has a multi-year program to improve the Airport. The Airport Improvement Program (AIP) is continually coordinated with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Aeronautics.

The subject of this Resolution is FAA AIP Grant Offer No. 3-08-0027-092-2026, Shift Runway 11/29 (NAVAIDS Design and Buildings RA), which will fund the cost of the engineering design for the permanent location of the navigational aids for the runway as part of the ongoing runway replacement program, as well as the procurement of the building structures to house the navigational aids.

The FAA has offered to pay 95 percent of the allowable costs incurred in accomplishing the Project, and the maximum obligation of the United States under the Grant Offer is \$854,820. The Airport Authority is responsible for the balance of the Project cost.

Pursuant to Title 49, U.S.C., Subtitle VII, Part B, as amended, the Airport Authority submitted a Project Application dated June 22, 2026, for monies from the FAA for certain improvements upon the Airport, pursuant to the terms, plans, and specifications set forth in AIP Grant No. 3-08-0027-092-2026 (Project). The FAA is willing to provide up to \$854,820 toward the estimated costs of the Project, provided that the City and Mesa County execute the Grant Agreement as co-sponsors with the Airport Authority.

As creators and co-sponsors of the Airport Authority, both the Mesa County Board of County Commissioners and the City Council must also approve grant awards from the FAA to the Airport Authority.

The FAA requires the City and the County to execute the Grant Agreement as co-sponsors for two primary reasons. First, the City and the County have taxing authority, whereas the Airport Authority does not, so that public entities with taxing authority are liable for the financial commitments required of the Sponsor under the Grant Agreement should the Airport Authority be unable to satisfy those commitments out of the net revenues generated by the operation of the Airport. Second, the City and the County have jurisdiction over the zoning and land use regulation of the real property surrounding the Airport, whereas the Airport Authority does not.

The City is willing to execute the Grant Agreement as a co-sponsor, subject to the terms and conditions of the Supplemental Co-Sponsorship Agreement between the City and the Airport Authority, under which the Airport Authority agrees to comply with each requirement imposed on the Sponsor by the Grant Agreement, other than the zoning and land use requirements of paragraph 21 of the Assurances, and agrees to indemnify and hold the City, its officers, employees, and agents harmless from claims arising out of or related to the Grant Agreement and the Project, other than the City's zoning and land use obligations under paragraph 21 of the Assurances incorporated by reference into the Grant Agreement.

The Grant Offer expires, and the United States will not be obligated to pay any part of the costs of the Project, unless the Grant Offer is accepted on or before August 28, 2026, or such subsequent date as may be prescribed in writing by the FAA, and all signatures must be obtained and finalized no later than August 31, 2026.

By and with approval of this Resolution the City Council approves the acceptance of the FAA Grant Offer and authorizes the City Manager and the City Attorney to execute the Grant Agreement, as co-sponsor, and the Supplemental Co-Sponsorship Agreement.

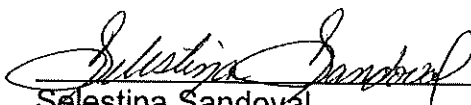
NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, having been fully advised in the premises, authorizes, affirms, and directs the approval and acceptance of FAA Airport Improvement Program Grant Offer No. 3-08-0027-092-2026 and the Grant Agreement, in an amount of up to \$854,820, in support of the GJRAA as described generally herein and in more detail in the Grant Application, the Grant Offer and Agreement, and the Supplemental Co-Sponsorship Agreement, and authorizes the City Manager and City Attorney to sign in accordance with this Resolution and other applicable Resolutions.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 19th day of August 2026.



Laurel Lutz
President of the City Council

ATTEST:



Selestina Sandoval
City Clerk

