

RESOLUTION NO. 79-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION SUPPORTING THE GRAND JUNCTION REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY'S ACCEPTANCE OF FUTURE 2026 FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS CONSISTENT WITH THE LANGUAGE IN AIP GRANTS 92 AND 93, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SIGN THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND SUPPLEMENTAL CO-SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT, CONTINGENT ON FINAL REVIEW AND RATIFICATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL

RECITALS:

The Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority (GJRAA or Airport) 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 future 2026 FAA AIP grants consistent with the language in AIP grants 92 and 93.

In January 2026, the GJRAA Board submitted an application for FAA funding for the remainder of the runway replacement program costs, including paving the new runway and building new connectors to the future taxiway, anticipated to be completed in 2028, totaling \$42,000,000. The FAA has indicated its intent to fund the remaining costs in 2026, 2027, and 2028 grants.

The FAA has indicated that if the Airport is awarded a grant in this fiscal year, it will be in mid-September, and the turnaround time for signatures will be extremely short.

To ensure the GJRAA remains positioned to capture any grant funding the FAA has available in this fiscal year, the GJRAA is requesting the City Council and the Board of County Commissioners to pre-authorize the acceptance of AIP grant awards, should they be offered and consistent with the terms of the grant applications and the grant agreements presented for approval. This authorization will enable all parties to execute the required documentation within the date range specified in the grant documents.

City approval of the grant funding is contingent on the final grant documents being brought back to the City Council at a future date for review and ratification.

As creators and co-sponsors of the GJRAA, both the County Commissioners and the City Council must also approve grant awards from the FAA and sign a corresponding

co-sponsorship agreement. Action on this item is expected at the August 18, 2026, Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority Board of Commissioners meeting.

By and with approval of this Resolution the City Council authorizes the City Manager and the City Attorney to execute the required grant documentation as soon as the grant award or awards are made, subject to the ratification contingency stated above.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, having been fully advised in the premises, authorizes, affirms, and directs the approval of the Grant Offers and Agreements from the Federal Aviation Administration in an amount to be determined, in support of the GJRAA as described generally herein and in more detail in the Grant Application and the Grant Offer and Agreements and the Co-Sponsorship Agreement between the City of Grand Junction and the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority, and authorizes the City Manager and the City Attorney to sign in accordance with this Resolution and other applicable Resolutions, contingent on the final executed grant documents being returned to the City Council for review and ratification.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 19th day of August 2026.



President of the City Council

ATTEST:


City Clerk