Walker Field Airport Authority

Minutes of Special Board Meeting

August 5, 1997

BOARD COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Robert McCormick Jim Richards David Graham Charles Gillett Martin O'Boyle Gary Morris Mile McCormack

AIRPORT STAFF PRESENT:

Corinne Nystrom Ted Balbier Dennis Wiss John Thomas

ALSO PRESENT: Rachael Held of the Independent Enterprise; Norm Cook of the Holiday Inn of Grand Junction; Darren Bailey of KJCT News and Kris Sanchez of KJCT News.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman McCormick called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

II. RUNWAY LITIGATION UPDATE (EXECUTIVE SESSION)

Commissioner Richards moved to enter into executive session to receive an update on the runway litigation from Airport Counsel Mr. Byrum Lee; Commissioner O'Boyle seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

The Board entered into executive session at 5:06 p.m. Commissioner Graham joined the session at 5:07 p.m. An update on the runway litigation was provided by Attorney Lee via a telephone conference call.

Commissioner McCormack moved to exit executive session; Commissioner O'Boyle seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

The Board exited executive session at 5:30 p.m.

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A. <u>Award of Bid and Construction Contract for AIP-16 Project to Rehabilitate Runway 4-22 and</u> to Install PAPI's on Runways 11 and 4

B. <u>Award of Bid and Construction Contract for 1997 CDAG Project to Construct Improvements</u> in the 4-22 General Aviation Area

Manager Nystrom described the construction bid process for the AIP-16 project, which includes the rehabilitation of Runway 4/22 and the installation of precision approach path indicators on runways 11 and 4, as well as State grant project to make improvements to the 4/33 general aviation area. The bids were opened on August 1st, and United Companies of Mesa County, Inc. was the apparent low bidder at \$673,121.55 for AIP-16 and \$60,576.00 for the CDAG project.

Since the F.A.A. has requested that Runway 4/22 be grooved, the bids exceeded the 1997 available funds by approximately \$18,000. The F.A.A. recommended to the Authority that the \$716,000 available in 1997 be used for the project and that the federal portion of the \$18,000 overage be funded with either 1998 discretionary funds (if available) or the 1998 entitlement funds. The remaining portions will be funded with passenger facility charges. The bids for the CDAG project also exceeded available funding.

Based upon staff's recommendation, Commissioner Richards moved to award the construction contract for the AIP-16 project and the CDAG project to United Companies of Mesa County, Inc. with the contingencies that the additional amounts needed to fund the AIP-16 project will be available in 1998 through F.A.A. discretionary or entitlement funds and that staff, Isbill Associates, and United Companies adjust the scope of work on the CDAG project to bring it in line with available funding amounts; Commissioner McCormack seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

C. Advertising Concession Agreement with Interspace Airport Advertising

John Thomas described the advertising agreement proposed to Interspace Airport Advertising for the advertising concession in the terminal building. After negotiations with Interspace, a final draft proposal was presented to the Board for review which contained a 30% commission to the Airport on advertising revenues with a 5 year term and a 5 year auto-renew based on performance by Interspace. Mr. Norm Cook of the Holiday Inn expressed concerns to the Board relative to Interspace's marketing approach to prospective advertisers since their contract has not yet been finalized with the Authority. Mr. Cook was assured that his concerns would be passed along to Interspace. He stated that his concerns should not be a basis for disapproval of the agreement with Interspace Airport Advertising.

Commissioner Graham moved to approve and adopt the airport advertising concession agreement with Interspace Airport Advertising as presented; Commissioner Richards seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

D. Request for Funds to Recarpet Carousel Islands in Baggage Claim Area

Ted Balbier described plans to re-carpet the baggage carousel area. The carpet is 15 years old and in need of replacement. Interspace Airport Advertising will be installing advertising kiosks in this area in the future and the carpet is in need of replacement prior to this installation. Costs for the project are approximately \$1,000.00 but have not been budgeted for 1997.

Commissioner Gillett moved to appropriate funding not to exceed \$1,000 from anticipated retained earnings to re-carpet the baggage carousel areas; Commissioner McCormack seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

V. FUNDING FOR WFAA ENTRANCE SIGN CONSTRUCTION

Ted Balbier described the work previously done, the work still yet to be completed and evolution of the project since the beginning. Staff presented the Board options available ranging from an additional \$1,800 to complete the current phase of landscaping up to \$17,110 for a turn-key total completion of all phases of the project. Staff requested the additional \$1800.00 to complete paying for irrigation, sidewalk installation and planting of a limited number of shrubs and \$815.00 for hydroseeding grass in the area to complete this phase of the project.

Commissioner Richards moved to authorize expenditures up to \$1800.00 to complete payment for sidewalk installation, shrubs, and irrigation; Commissioner Graham seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Morris requested direction from the entire Board as to where the project goes from this point forward. The Board reached a general consensus that the project was completed to the point that it could be put on hold and discussed at a later date.

Commissioner Richards moved to postpone discussion on the landscaping phase of the project, if any, until 1998 budget discussions are held; Commissioner O'Boyle seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

V. OTHER ITEMS

No other items were brought before the Board at this time.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Richards moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Graham seconded. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1997.

ATTEST:

Chairman

John Thomas, Deputy Clerk

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