CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO RESOLUTION NO. 29-18

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AND SUBMIT GRANT REQUESTS TO THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GRAND JUNCTION REGIONAL AIRPORT

RECITALS.

In 2016 the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority Board (GJRAA) adopted a capital improvement plan for the Airport (CIP.) The CIP embraces multiple projects over the next five years to include construction of a new 10,500-foot primary runway and other existing airfield improvements.

Because the CIP is ambitious and is largely dependent on FAA funding, and when accomplished will address much need improvements to the Airport, the GJRAA is recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to sign any and all applications for FAA funds for and in support of full implementation of the CIP. The GJRAA approved the 2018 AIP grant application at the regular Board meeting on November 16, 2017.

Applications for FAA grants often are due shortly after a grant is announced and/or funds are often quickly awarded. By and with this resolution the City Manager is authorized and directed to sign and act as quickly as possible to apply for grants that further the implementation of the CIP. If the GJRAA is successful in obtaining additional grant(s), a grant offer/grant agreement(s) will be presented to the City Council for review/approval as a co-sponsor as required by law.

This Resolution and the projects to be funded through FAA grants further Goal #9 of the 2010 Comprehensive Plan – "develop a well-balanced transportation system that supports automobile, local transit, pedestrian, bicycle, air, and freight movement while protecting air, water and natural resources" and section 1.4 of the 2014 Economic Development Plan – "providing Infrastructure that enables and supports private investment, specifically the goal to "continue to support the airport and its vital role in economic development" and because of the support of those important public policies, to the extent necessary or required this Resolution shall serve as a temporary and specific suspension of the City Grants Policy with respect to application for grants in support of the Airport and the CIP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Grand Junction does hereby adopt the recommendation of the GJRAA and to authorize the

City Manager to sign and submit any and all applications for FAA funds for and in support of full implementation of the CIP.

Dated this 16th day of May 2018.

Barbara Traylor-Smith
President of the Council

ATTEST:

Wanda Winkelmann

City Clerk

