



City Council Report

Date: July 11, 2022
To: City Council
Through: Marc Heirshberg, Deputy City Manager
From: Beth Huning, City Engineer
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Subject: Aviation Way IGA
City Project No. CP1015
Council District 6

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to request Council approval for a resolution authorizing the City of Mesa (City) to enter into an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with Phoenix Mesa Gateway Airport Authority (PMGAA) for the construction of Aviation Way from Ellsworth Road to the future Gateway Boulevard near the intersection of Ellsworth Road and Williams Field Road (Refer to Exhibit "A" for the project location).

Staff recommends that Council approve the resolution and authorize the City Manager to execute this IGA on behalf of the City, which will authorize the expenditure of funds to construct Aviation Way. These funds will be fully reimbursed by PMGAA at the completion of construction.

Background

PMGAA and the City have a shared interest in the development of vacant airport property adjacent to the intersection of Ellsworth Road and Williams Field Road. The City and PMGAA have coordinated plans for design and construction of the necessary roadway and utility infrastructure within this undeveloped portion of the airport property. The City is currently developing a project to construct a section of Gateway Boulevard, and associated utilities, extending west from Ellsworth Road. PMGAA is developing plans for the construction of Aviation Way between Ellsworth Road and this new section of Gateway Boulevard, including associated utilities.

Discussion

The purpose of this IGA is to allow the City to include the construction of Aviation Way and associated utility improvements as part of the City's project to construct a portion of

Gateway Boulevard, west of Ellsworth Road. Combining the two roadway projects under one contract will result in efficiencies by not having multiple contractors working within the same area. PMGAA is fully responsible for the cost of the design and providing necessary easements for Aviation Way. The City will be responsible for the construction of Aviation Way and associated utility improvements, which will be fully reimbursed by PMGAA at the completion of construction. This combined construction contract will be brought to Council for approval at a future date.

Community Impact – Once under construction, this project will result in some noise and construction traffic in the area and minor traffic restrictions along Ellsworth Road. Most of the construction will take place within the PMGAA property, minimizing the impact to the public.

Alternatives

The City Council could choose not to enter into this IGA. This is not recommended because this would result in multiple contractors working in the same area at the same time, resulting in conflicts and inefficiencies due to the necessary coordination and scheduling required.

Fiscal Impact

PMGAA will fully fund the construction of the Aviation Way roadway and utility improvements. The City will construct these improvements and receive reimbursement from PMGAA at the completion of construction.

Coordinated With

The Transportation Department and Water Resources Department concur with this recommendation.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESA, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN PHOENIX-MESA GATEWAY AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF MESA FOR AVIATION WAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESA, MARICOPA COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the agreement between the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport Authority (PMGAA) and the City of Mesa for the rights-of-way acquisition, utility relocation, construction, construction management, operation and maintenance of the Aviation Way Project; is hereby approved.

Section 2: That the City Manager, Christopher J. Brady, or his designated representative, is authorized and directed to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Mesa, and the City Clerk is authorized and directed to attest to the signature of the City Manager or his authorized designated representative thereon.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona, this _____ day of _____, 2021.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk