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County of Ventura Board of Supervisors 800 S. Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA 93009

Subject:

Authorization for the Director of Airports or Designee, to Accept and Sign Federal Aviation Administration Grant No. 3-06-0179-040-2022, When Offered, in an Estimated Amount of \$8,151,414, Which Will Provide Funds for the Taxiway Connectors Reconstruction and Relocation of an FAA Powerline at Oxnard Airport; Authorization for the Director of Airports or Designee, to Apply for, Accept, and Sign for a Matching Grant from Caltrans, if Offered; and Authorization for County Counsel to Execute the Certificate of Sponsor's Attorney Required by Federal Aviation Administration Grant Agreements; Supervisorial District No. 5

Recommendations:

- Authorize the Director of Airports or his designee, to accept and sign Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant No. 3-06-0179-040-2022, when offered, in an estimated amount of \$8,151,414, which will provide funds for the taxiway connectors reconstruction and relocation of an FAA powerline at Oxnard Airport; and
- 2. Authorize the Director of Airports or his designee, to apply for, accept, and sign for a matching grant from Caltrans, if offered; and
- 3. Authorize County Counsel to execute the Certificate of Sponsor's Attorney required by FAA Grant Agreements.

Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory: No

Source of funding: Federal Aviation Administration (90%)

Caltrans (up to 4.5%)

Funding match required: Airport Enterprise Fund (5.5%)

Impact on other departments: None

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Summary of Revenue and Project Costs		FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	
Revenue (Federal – FAA)	\$	8,151,414	\$	0
(State – Caltrans)	\$	150,000	\$	0
Direct Costs	\$	9,057,126	\$	0
Net Cost – Airport Enterprise Fund	\$	755,712	\$	0

The revenue and cost above do not reflect the normal formula for FAA grant in the Fiscal/Mandates Impact section. A conservative estimate is provided due to possible grant caps. Actual grant amount will be dependent upon FAA and Caltrans available funding.

Current Fiscal Year Budget Projection:

FY 2022-23 Budget Projection for Airports Capital Projects Division 5040 - Unit 5041						
	Adopted	Adjusted	Projected	Estimated		
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Savings/(Deficit)		
Appropriations	\$11,782,232	\$11,782,232	\$11,782,232	\$0		
Revenue	8,940,205	8,940,205	8,940,205	0		
Net Cost	\$ 2,842,027	\$ 2,842,027	\$ 2,842,027	\$0		

Sufficient revenue and appropriations are available in the FY 22-23 capital budget.

Discussion:

The FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and Caltrans provide grant funding to airports for certain airport improvements. The Department of Airports (DOA) works closely with our regional representatives to develop a Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which identifies grant-eligible projects at the Oxnard Airport.

In anticipation of the FAA's deadline for grant award, your Board's meeting schedule, and the anticipated construction schedule, staff requests that the DOA be authorized to accept FAA and Caltrans grants when offered, in an approximate amount, for the project described below. The grant estimate is based upon the projected eligible total project costs and will be adjusted lower or higher to reflect "based on bid" construction costs and available FAA funding.

The project has been programmed by the FAA under the FAA's Airport Improvement Program. Caltrans will fund a matching grant for up to 5% of the federal funds through the California Department of Transportation matching grant program. Caltrans' match of federal funds equates to up to 4.5% of the total project cost. The balance of the project funding will be borne by the Airport Enterprise Fund, including any gap in Caltrans' matching grant due to available funding.

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The project is comprised of the following elements:

TAXIWAY CONNECTORS RECONSTRUCTION, AND FAA POWERLINE RELOCATION

BASE BID: Taxiway Connector Improvements for Taxiways A and E, including paving, lighting, signage, grading, storm-drainage, marking and relocation of an FAA powerline.

BID ALTERNATE 1: Taxiway Connector Improvements for Taxiways B, C, and D, including paving, lighting, signage, grading, storm-drainage, and marking.

While the grant agreement for Grant No. 3-06-0179-040-2022 is not presently available, it is anticipated that the grant agreement will be similar to prior FAA grant agreements approved by your Board (2019 FAA Grant Agreement Example, Exhibit 1). These grant agreements require an executed Certificate of Sponsor's Attorney. Therefore, your Board is being asked to also authorize County Counsel to execute the Certificate of Sponsor's Attorney, certifying that the County has the authority to enter into the grant agreement and that the grant agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation.

On June 16, 2020, your Board found this project to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines section 15302(b).

The County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office, and County Counsel have reviewed this item, and the Aviation Advisory Commission and the Oxnard Airport Authority recommend its approval.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please call Erin Powers at 388-4205, or me at 388-4372.

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Director of Airports

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – 2019 FAA Grant Agreement Example