

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Economic Development

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: July 20, 2020

Re: Authorizing a Small Community Air Service Development Program Grant with the U.S. Department of Transportation and Amending the FY 2020 Annual Budget by Appropriating

Funds.

Executive Summary

The U.S. Department of Transportation awarded Columbia Regional Airport (COU) a Small Community Air Service Development Program (SCASDP) grant in the amount of \$800,000 related to acquiring new air service at COU. The total project cost is \$1,110,000 which includes \$310,000 in state and local contributions identified under Discussion.

Discussion

Staff is requesting Council authorize the City Manager to execute the SCASDP grant with the U.S. Department of Transportation. The scope of the grant project includes a minimum revenue guarantee (MRG) and associated marketing program to recruit, initiate and support new daily air service to Charlotte-Douglas International Airport (CLT).

The total project cost is \$1,110,000 and will be funded as follows:

- \$800,000 from U.S. Department of Transportation SCASDP grant program. Funds are being appropriated with this Ordinance.
- \$150,000 from MoDOT Marketing Grant AIR 196—039A-5. These funds were previously appropriated on August 19, 2019, per Ordinance 023971.
- \$80,000 from the University of Missouri that was previously committed during the application period. Funds are being appropriated with this ordinance.
- \$80,000 from City of Columbia utilizing FY 2020 Airport budget's publishing and advertising funds that were previously committed during the application period.

Funds in the amount of \$880,000 are being appropriated with this legislation.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$800,000 is being appropriated from the U.S. Dept of Transportation and \$80,000 is being appropriated from the University of Missouri for the SCASDP grant to Account #55406210-504310 AIRPORT-GMHTC7. The total project cost is \$1,110,000. Long-Term Impact: N/A



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Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Economy, Secondary Impact: Operational Excellence, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Secondary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Tertiary Impact: Economic Development

Legislative History	
Date	Action
07/06/2020	Council Bill 128-20 – Repealing Ord 024235 which authorized a first supplemental agreement to an airport aid agreement with MHTC relating to air service promotion for the Columbia Regional Airport; authorizing a new revised first supplemental agreement.
05/04/2020	Ord 024235 - Authorizing a first supplemental agreement to an airport aid agreement with MHTC relating to air service promotion for the Columbia Regional Airport
08/19/2019	Ord 023971 – Authorizing an airport aid agreement with MHTC relating to air service promotion for the Columbia Regional Airport; amending the FY 2019 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the City Manager to execute a Small Community Air Service Development Program grant with the U.S. Department of Transportation and amend the FY 2020 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.