



Department Source: Economic Development

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: April 18, 2022

Re: Amending the FY2022 annual budget by appropriating funds for the purpose of temporarily extending tower operations and increasing Air Traffic Control Tower staffing at the Columbia Regional Airport.

Executive Summary

Staff is requesting an appropriation of funds from the Airport's Retained Earnings account to the Airport's operating budget for the temporary extension of tower operating hours and increase of air traffic controller staffing at Columbia Regional Airport.

Discussion

Due to the reconstruction of Taxiway A, between A4 and Runway 13-31, scheduled to begin this summer, aircraft will be required to back taxi in order to take-off and land for a period of approximately 90 days. In an effort to enhance safety for commercial aircraft operations during the project, staff is requesting that Council authorize an appropriation of funds in the amount of \$15,277 from the Airport Retained Earnings account to the Airport's operating budget to cover costs related to one additional air traffic controller and extending the tower operating hours for the duration of the project beginning approximately July 1, 2022, through September 19, 2022. An agreement between the City and Midwest ATC Service for this service will be forthcoming.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$15,277 will be appropriated from Airport Retained Earnings account to the operating account.

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Organizational Excellence, Secondary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure,

Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Land Use & Growth Management

Legislative History

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	None.

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the amendment of the FY2022 annual budget by appropriating funds.