

Department Source: City Manager

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 16, 2026

Re: Setting a Public Hearing for the proposed construction of a deicing pad and containment facility (Glycol Recovery System) project at Columbia Regional Airport.

Impacted Ward: Airport

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration a resolution setting a public hearing for April 6, 2026 concerning the proposed construction of a deicing pad and containment facility project at Columbia Regional Airport. This system will capture excess deicing fluid (glycol) applied to aircrafts during inclement winter weather, so that it doesn't flow into the stormwater system. The project cost estimate is \$4,714,650, and will be funded at 90% by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and 10% Transportation Sales Tax (TST).

Discussion

The FAA has approved 90% funding for the design and construction of a deicing pad and containment facility at Columbia Regional Airport. This system will capture excess deicing fluid (glycol) applied to aircrafts during inclement winter weather, that currently flows into the Airport's stormwater system. The design agreement included design and bidding phase services.

Construction is planned to be completed winter 2026/spring 2027.

The total project cost estimate (including design and construction) is \$4,714,650, and will be reimbursed at 90% by the FAA. The 10% local match will be funded from TST.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The total project cost estimate is \$4,714,650, and will be funded by FAA at 90% and 10% local from TST.

Long-Term Impact: N/A

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#) Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Environmental Management, Secondary Impact: Land Use & Growth Management, Tertiary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation

Legislative History

Date	Action
01-05-2026	R3-26 - authorizing an aviation project consultant agreement with Burns and McDonnell Engineering Co., Inc. for design services associated with construction of a deicing pad and containment facility at the Columbia Regional Airport.

Suggested Council Action

Adopt the resolution setting a public hearing on April 6, 2026 for the construction of a deicing pad and containment facility at Columbia Regional Airport.