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Lee's Summit Municipal Airport August 2016 Staff Report

New Hangar Development

Hangar "T" construction began in early March. Completion is now expected in mid-September due to the amount of wet weather in May.

Runway 18-36 Pre-Grading Project

The earthwork project being performed by Emery Sapp & Sons was completed in late July. A walk-through of the project was performed with City staff, the contractor, the Airport's engineering firm Crawford, Murphy & Tilly (CMT), along with individuals from the State Aviation Department, Army Corp of Engineers and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. All parties involved have found the work to be satisfactory.

Runway 18-36 Pavement Design Project

The final plans for this project were completed in late April. The project will consist of expansion of Runway 18-36 to 5,500' x 100', an extension of Runway 11-29 by 200', waterline relocation on the north end of the airport and the installation of the remainder of the wildlife fencing around airport property. Advertisement for this project was completed on May 31, 2016. The apparent low bidder is Emery Sapp & Sons at \$8.9M. The City is seeking grant funding from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), through MoDOT, and hope to hear back in August or September. If successful, some preparatory work may begin in the fall with the majority of the construction to occur in 2017.

Business Opportunity Inquiry

The Airport recently received an inquiry from several individuals about the possibility of opening a flight school at the Airport. Lee's Summit was one of three sites being considered as a possible location for its operations. They were provided with a sample lease, Airport Rules & Regulations, as well as the Airport Minimum Standards for business operations on the Airport. A lease agreement has been developed and will be going to the Finance Committee on August 29, then to City Council on September 8.

Airport Incidents

None to report.

Public Outreach

None to report.

2016 AirVenture

Traffic headed for the World's Largest Air Venture being held in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, began the later part of July. This event ran from July 24-31, with travelers to the event passing through Lee's Summit as early as July 21. The Lee's Summit Airport usually receives traffic from Arizona, Arkansas, California, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. In addition to fuel sales, some people bound for Oshkosh spent money in the community by staying overnight at one of the local hotels or by using one of the two crew cars to go to one of the many local restaurants to eat. The Airport advertises the services they have to offer and the amenities of the community to entice travelers to stop in Lee's Summit.