

Date:

September 23, 2022

To:

Mark Dunning, City Manager

Through: Michael Park, Director of Public Works

From:

Joel Arrington, Airport Manager

RE:

Lee's Summit Municipal Airport September 2022 Staff Report

Airport Master Plan Phase II Update

Master Plan Phase II continues to move forward. Now that aerial survey and obstruction information has been received, final edits are being made to the Refined Precision Approach for Runway 36 paper. The process of compiling benefits and costs for inclusion of LXT into the Federal Contract Tower (FCT) program continues to move forward and an Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) siting process began in mid-April. Site visits and meetings with Airport Staff were completed in June that allowed for a better understanding of the airport operational environment and additional details were gathered for inclusion in the benefit cost analysis (BCA) process. With aerial surveys, field surveys, and AGIS data gathered, work has commenced on development of the Airport Layout Plan (ALP). Work continues on the Exhibit A property map to identify all parcels purchased or released by the Airport since the City of Lee's Summit took ownership of the Airport. Recently, outreach was made to MoDOT and FAA Central Region for additional property documentation.

New Staff

Jeff Penfield has been selected as the new Assistant Airport Manager. Jeff is a retired Navy Rear Admiral who brings extensive Aviation background ranging from flying FA-18 Super Hornets to leading large groups up to 18,000 people. Jeff has over 4,000 flight hours and 750 carrier landings. He has been recognized as the 1995 Commander, Naval Air Force Pacific Fleet Pilot of the Year and the National Defense Industrial Association Navy Military Tester of the Year for 1999. Jeff's first day will be Oct. 3.

East Side Development

CMT has submitted the final Scope of Services and fee proposal for the engineering and design services for the Eastside Site Development and Hangar 2 project. This will be presented to the BOAC on October 3 and to the PWC on October 10. Staff recommends approval of the Scope of Services and proposed fee.



Airport Incidents & Noise Complaints

During September there was one complaint of a low-flying aircraft north of the Airport. Staff explained it was flight training.

Ford Motor Company

On Sept. 21, Ford Motor Company began leasing space on the east apron on a month-to-month basis to park Ford Transit vans that are unable to be completed due to the ongoing parts and chip shortage. Ford anticipates using the east apron through December 2022. If the lease needs to be extended, a longer term lease agreement will be drafted for City Council approval.

Other Items of Interest

Hangar rental remains at 100% occupancy. Currently, there are 21 people on the hangar waitlist.

Joel Arrington, Airport Manager, gave a presentation to the Lee's Summit Economic Development Council "Window Tour" group on Sept. 22. Mr. Arrington also gave a presentation on the Airport at the Lee's Summit Chamber Government Affairs meeting on Sept. 23.

Airport staff volunteered at this year's LS Chamber of Commerce Oktoberfest event on Sept. 24. Airport staff cooked hamburgers and brats at the Tent #1 located at 3rd and Main streets from 2 – 11 p.m.

New FBO and Ground Lease agreements were finalized in September and will be presented to BOAC on Oct. 3, 2022.

