

LEE'S SUMMIT

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RE:

Lee's Summit Municipal Airport December 2019 Staff Report

Airport Open House

The Annual Airport Tenant Open House was scheduled for Thursday, December 5.

Taxiway Alpha

The contractor continues addressing several remaining punch list items in addition to the establishment of a good stand of vegetation. Reseeding and minor grading of several areas took place late in September. These areas will be revisited late in the spring of 2020 to confirm they are satisfactory before accepting and closing out the project. There are several minor pavement repairs on the east side taking place in the month of November where Taxiway Charlie joins Taxiway A-1/A-2.

Runway 18-36 Paving Project

ESS completed their final punch list items on this project during the last week of May. There are three areas which were re-seeded to establish vegetation. Only one of these areas remains unaccepted at this time and it may be early spring of 2020 before this final area is accepted.

Platting and Rezoning Project Update

The platting and rezoning process was before the City Council in November. The Airport property was all zoned AZ. The plat was approved on December 3.

New Airport Master Plan and Business Plan Development

On Oct. 22, City Council approved Federal and State grants for Phase I of a new Airport Master Plan and Airport Business Plan. The current Airport Master Plan is over 20-years old and the Business Plan is over 10-years old. With the recent improvements at the Airport, rezoning and frequent inquiries about aviation development abilities on the Airport, both of these documents will be timely for the future growth of the airport. Staff held a meeting with the Airport's consultant in late November to set the agenda for kick-off meetings to start the process.

Airport Incidents

No incidents to report.

Airport Inquiries & Noise Complaints

No noise complaints to report for the month of November.

Other Highlights

Jet fuel sales continue to exceed previous years' sales due to the increased number of operations at the Airport. The number of based aircraft that use turbine fuel has increased by two in November bringing the total based jet & turbopropeller aircraft to 15.

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Staff is continuing work with a client for the development of a new hangar that will be approximately 130-feet by 100-feet. This hangar will provide the ability for additional based aircraft and several more users of turbine fuel. In addition to the new hangar project, staff is also working with a corporation on the possibility of locating a helicopter at the airport for air ambulance work with several local hospitals in the area. These discussions are only preliminary at this time.

The Airport has received notification by the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) that it plans to perform a visual inspection of the pavements at the airport during the week of Dec. 9. This inspection is part of the State's overall pavement management program. This program is performed approximately every five years. The last time this program was performed was prior to any of the recent improvements being implemented. Work required for this project includes collecting work history information pertaining to the pavements at the airport and a visual inspection of all pavements at the airport. The results of this will assist the City and MoDOT in understanding the current condition of our airfield pavements and provide tools to assist in the future management of these pavements.

On Nov. 7, the Airport participated in the American Public Works Association local chapter's Career Expo at Bartle Hall. Over 3,000 students from the region attended this event. The Airport provided information on careers in Aviation.

On Friday, Nov. 8, the Airport played host to guests from the Dominican Republic who were visiting the area as part of the Rotary International. One of the people in the group had a strong interest in aviation and requested a tour of the airport to learn more about general aviation in the United States.

On Nov. 12, the Airport hosted the Lee's Summit Chamber's Lee's Summit Leadership class. There were 35 people in attendance.