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REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Martha Drukker, Interim City Engineer

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SUBJECT: Municipal Airport Grant Application – CIP # 383 Airport Terminal Building Design

Recommendation

Authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application for up to \$328,000 to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT), Bureau of Aeronautics for the purpose of designing a new Airport Terminal Building, as programmed in the FY2023 Capital Budget.

Background

The current airport terminal building was constructed in 1938 and renovated in 1961. Due to the age of the building there are a variety of building code violations, structural deficiencies, and inadequate security measures.

Due to the importance of the airport as well as the obsolete condition of the current terminal building, the 2006 Master Plan strongly recommended the construction of a new terminal building and parking facilities.

In 2018 the lobby and bathrooms of the current terminal building were upgraded in part through a donation from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Alosa.

In 2019, City Council appropriated funds to complete an Airport Terminal Study to review alternatives for a new Terminal Building. This project was completed in 2021 with the final recommendation of a stakeholders committee involved in the study to move forward with the design and construction of a new Terminal Building. Funds for this recommendation were programmed into the FY 2023 Capital Improvements Program and Budget.

On February 8, 2021, the Terminal Building Study was presented to City Council and City Council approved moving forward with the design and construction of a new Terminal Building as programmed in the current Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

Discussion

The attached resolution authorizes the City Manager to apply for a grant to design a new Airport Terminal Building. Of the \$328,000 requested, 90% is the federal share (\$295,200) and 5% is City and State share (\$16,400 each).

A separate grant application is being sought for design of parking lot improvements and related items.

If awarded, staff will return to City Council to accept and appropriate grant funds, as well as appropriate matching City funds at that time. Award announcements are expected in late summer 2023.