

**GERALD R. FORD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
OPERATIONS AND MARKETING COMMITTEE MINUTES  
Gerald R. Ford International Airport, International Room  
5500 44<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512  
Wednesday, June 19, 2024  
8:00 a.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chair Small.

Members Present: Doug Small, Mike Verhulst, Emily Brieve and Dan Koorndyk - 4

Also Present: Tory Richardson, Maria Kim, Alex Peric, Haley Meyer, Lisa Carr, Ashley Thorsen, Clint Nemeth, Phil Hall, Jeff Berghage, Haley Abbas, Tom Cizauskas, Jack Bryan

**6-1 Meeting Minutes**

The Operations and Marketing Committee minutes of May 21, 2024 were approved as submitted with a motion by Mr. Verhulst and support by Mrs. Brieve.

**6-2 Public Comment**

No public comment.

**6-3 Resolution 24-8: Sanitary Lift Station 1 Replacement**

Mr. Hall reviewed the necessity for replacing Sanitary Lift Station 1 due to its age and the evolving development in the area it serves. The proposal includes transitioning from a can-type to a submersible-type station to improve lifespan, operational efficiency, ease of maintenance, and capacity. Additionally, Mr. Hall introduced Mr. Berghage, who provided further insights into the project.

Mr. Hall informed the board that staff is seeking the approval of project contracting authority not to exceed \$1,310,000 for the construction phase of the replacement of Sanitary Lift Station 1, and authorization for the President & CEO to sign all associated documents.

Motion by Mr. Verhulst supported by Mrs. Brieve, the approval of project contracting authority not to exceed \$1,310,000 for the construction phase of the replacement of Sanitary Lift Station 1, and authorization for the President & CEO to sign all associated documents.

**6-4 Resolution 24-9: Taxiway V – Rehabilitation**

Mrs. Thorsen highlighted the ongoing efforts to ensure safe airfield pavement surfaces through continuous monitoring and inspections by Airfield Maintenance, Airport Operations, Engineering, and consultants. As a result of these inspections, it has been determined that portions of Taxiway V's older concrete pavement require rehabilitation. The projected cost for this project has been included in the 2024 Capital Improvement Budget. To proceed with the project, staff is seeking the approval of project contracting authority not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the Rehabilitation of Taxiway V from Taxiway F to the Terminal Apron, and authorization for the President & CEO to sign all associated documents.

Motion by Mrs. Brieve supported by Mr. Verhulst, the approval of project contracting authority not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the Rehabilitation of Taxiway V from Taxiway F to the Terminal Apron, and authorization for the President & CEO to sign all associated documents.

6-5 **Resolution 24-10: Grand Canopy Expansion – Phase 1**

Mr. Peric reviewed that the Terminal Enhancement Project (TEP) will expand the pick-up and drop-off lane/curb front to the west. After the project is complete the airport is planning to expand the Grand Canopy to the west approximately 200' to provide a covered area for airport guests. Board approval at this time is necessary to fund the installation of the southern foundations for the Grand Canopy Expansion while the area is being excavated as part of TEP. Mr. Peric said staff is seeking approval of project contracting authority not to exceed \$2,100,000 for Phase 1 of the Grand Canopy Expansion necessary in 2024, and authorization for the President & CEO to sign all associated documents.

Motion by Mr. Verhulst supported by Mrs. Brieve, the approval of project contracting authority not to exceed \$2,100,000 for Phase 1 of the Grand Canopy Expansion necessary in 2024, and authorization for the President & CEO to sign all associated documents.

6-6 **Project/Construction Report**

Mr. Nemeth reviewed the status of the construction projects.

6-7 **Other**

Mrs. Abbas presented updates for the ACI-NA conference happening in Grand Rapids in September.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 a.m.  
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