

**GERALD R. FORD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
OPERATIONS AND MARKETING COMMITTEE MINUTES
Gerald R. Ford International Airport, International Room
5500 44th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512
Wednesday, November 13, 2024
8:00 a.m.**

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

Members Present: Doug Small, Mike Verhulst, and Dan Koorndyk – 3

Members Absent: Emily Brieve – 1

Also Present: Tory Richardson, Haley Meyer, Alex Peric, Jon Couchenour, Lisa Carr, Casey Ries, Jeff Berghage

11-1 Meeting Minutes

The Operations and Marketing Committee minutes of October 23, 2024, were approved as submitted with a motion by Mr. Verhulst and support by Mr. Koorndyk.

11-2 Public Comment

No public comment.

11-3 Resolution 24-19: Recognition of GFIAA Board, Staff, and Experience Grand Rapids Team Efforts for Successful ACI-NA 2024 Annual Conference and Exhibition

Mr. Richardson presented the resolution to recognize and thank each GFIAA Board Member and Staff for their pursuit and support for hosting the Airports Council International- North America's 2024 Annual Conference and Exhibition and whereby the GFIAA Board recognizes and thanks the Experience Grand Rapids team for their outstanding support, expertise, and extension of staff to ensure our community and facilities performed well for the 2,000 conference attendees.

Motion by Mr. Verhulst supported by Mr. Koorndyk, the approval of resolution recognizing the tremendous efforts of the Gerald R. Ford International Airport Authority (GFIAA) Board and Staff, as well as our partners at Experience Grand Rapids to plan and host the Airports Council International – North America's (ACI-NA) 2024 Annual Conference and Exhibition in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

11-4 Resolution 24-20: Lower Canopy – FIS Curb Front

Mr. Ries shared that, to improve the guest experience during passenger drop-offs and pick-ups along the east terminal curb front, beyond the grand canopy, a lower canopy will be installed to cover the drop-off lane. This steel-framed, glass canopy will extend over 280 feet along Terminal Drive, providing shelter for both the sidewalk and the drop-off lane, thereby expanding the available sheltered curb front. The lower canopy will be funded with airport revenues, not with CONRAC funding, and is included in the 2025 Capital Improvement Budget.

Motion by Mr. Koorndyk supported by Mr. Verhulst, the approval of project contracting authority not to exceed \$2,200,000 for a lower canopy addition at the FIS curb front, and authorization for the President & CEO to sign all associated documents.

11-5 **Project/Construction Report**

Mr. Ries reviewed the status of the construction projects.

10-6 **Other**

No other business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 a.m.
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