

Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority Board Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes April 11, 2017

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Time: 5:00PM

I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Rick Taggart, Board Chairman, called the Meeting of the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority Board to order at about 5:00PM on April 11, 2017 in Grand Junction, Colorado and in the County of Mesa.

Commissioners Present:	Other:		
Rick Taggart, Chairman	Mike Griffin, Garver		
Tom Benton	Collin Bible, Garver		
Tim Pollard	Steve Rime, Amec. Foster Wheeler		
Dave Murray	John Maneo, DOWL		
Paul Nelson	Mike Horby, Kimley-Horn		
Robin Brown	Scott Cary, Mead & Hunt		
	Ryan Hayes, Mead & Hunt		
Airport Staff:	Bradley Barker, CAP		
Kip Turner			
Victoria Hightower, Clerk			
Ty Minnick			
Jodi Doney			
Eric Trinklein			

II. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Taggart changed Action Item B from Engineer of Record to Engineer for Runway Design Project. Chairman Taggart stated that the same three firms that submitted proposals for the runway project also submitted proposals for their engineer of record. Chairman Taggart said that it would be efficient to tackle both of those issues tonight.

Commissioner Benton stated that the packet of information he received was for the runway project and asked if there is a supplemental packet for the RFQ for engineer of record.

Mr. Turner stated that there is a different RFQ and those submittals will be delivered with next week's board packet.

Commissioner Benton said that he would like to have a chance to review those responses.

Chairman Taggart stated that there won't be any changes to the agenda but he thinks it's important to modify letter B to be Engineer for Runway Design Project.

Commissioner Murray moved to approve the agenda with the suggested change. Commissioner Benton seconded. Voice Vote. All Ayes.

III. Conflict Disclosures

Commissioner Murray – None

Commissioner Nelson – None

Commissioner Pollard - None

Commissioner Taggart – None

Commissioner Benton - None

Commissioner Brown - None

IV. Commissioner Comments

Chairman Taggart thanked the firms of Garver, Mead & Hunt and Kimley Horn for their response to the first RFP and for answering the 18 questions that the Board sent out for tonight's meeting. Chairman Taggart said that the Board appreciates all of their time and efforts they have all put in.

V. Citizen Comments

None

VI. Action Items

A. Banking Resolution

Mr. Minnick briefed the Board and stated that this is a banking resolution to update the current signature cards to Chairman Taggart and Vice Chairman Benton and adding Eric Trinklein as the secondary staff signature.

Commissioner Nelson made a motion for the Board to adopt Resolution 2017-005 Revised Resolution concerning execution of documents pertaining to Bank Accounts. Commissioner Brown seconded. Roll Call Vote. Commissioner Benton: Aye, Commissioner Nelson: Aye, Commissioner Pollard: Aye, Commissioner Brown: Aye, Commissioner Murray: Aye, Chairman Taggart: Aye.

B. Engineer for Runway Design Project

Chairman Taggart stated that a request they had made at the last meeting was for staff to take the time and to evaluate these proposals. Commissioner Taggart asked Mr. Turner and Mr. Trinklein to brief the Board on their assessment.

Mr. Turner said that they have been blessed with three outstanding firms. Mr. Turner said that they worked collectively on an evaluation process based of the submittals, the questions and answers received and the knowledge and the experience they had with the firms. Mr. Turner said that the three firms scored almost identical to each other. Mr. Turner said that there were two firms that edged out just a little bit over the third and those two firms are one point apart. Staff ranked the three firms in the following order.

- 1. Mead & Hunt
- 2. Garver
- 3. Kimley Horn.

Mr. Turner said that staff recommends that if the Board chooses Mead & Hunt for the runway design project then they would recommend Garver for the EOR or if the Board chooses Garver for the runway design project then they would recommend Mead & Hunt for the EOR. Mr. Turner said that he feels that all three companies would do a really good job and he feels they could work well with.

The Board asked clarification questions of the three firms.

Commissioner Brown stated that she appreciates the extra time for the firms to answer questions because it made going through it much easier to understand and made the process and little more clearer. Commissioner Brown said that for her the biggest concern was the soil, there are a few examples in Mesa County of projects that have failed because the site prep wasn't done. Commissioner Brown said that that's what she focused on with all three of the proposals and it seemed to her that Mean & Hunt was the most thorough of the ground prep and the soil. Commissioner Brown said that if it's going to come that close and they are going to try to decide between companies, she appreciates that Mead & Hunt is a Colorado company and Mead & Hunt's experience/history with the airport and knowing the background of some of the projects so that's who she would lean towards.

Chairman Taggart asked for Mead & Hunt to elaborate on an answer they submitted on question three, which was that Mead & Hunt is expecting the airport to open two years sooner than the current capital improvement plan (CIP), with savings of millions.

Mr. Ryan Hayes with Mead and Hunt stated that they think there may be a phasing plan that can potentially get the airport a runway that's operational possibly sooner than it's laid out in the CIP and they have worked through it and explained it in their proposal.

Mr. Scott Cary with Mead & Hunt briefed the Board in depth on how the idea is laid out.

Commissioner Benton made a motion for the Board to accept the staff's recommendation of ranking for runway 11/29 engineering design proposals and

authorize staff to work with the firm with forming a contract. That being the staff recommendation as Mead & Hunt first, Garver second and Kimley Horn third. Commissioner Nelson seconded. Commissioner Pollard: Aye, Commissioner Brown: Aye, Commissioner Murray: Aye, Chairman Taggart: Aye, Commissioner Nelson: Aye.

VII. Any other business which may come before the Board

VIII. Adjournment

Commissioner Benton moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Brown seconded. Voice Vote. All Ayes.

The meeting adjourned around 6:15PM

Rick Taggart, Board Chairman		
ATTEST:		

Victoria Hightower, Clerk to the Board