

# Mayor and Council Communication

**DATE:** 12/10/24

**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 24-1122

**LOG NAME:** 55AFW ARFF VEHICLE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

## **SUBJECT**

(CD 10) Adopt Appropriation Ordinance Increasing Estimated Receipts and Appropriations in the Municipal Airport Capital Projects Fund in an Amount of \$1,353,760.00 Transferred from the Municipal Airport Fund for an Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Vehicle at Perot Field Fort Worth Alliance Airport and Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Adopted Budget and Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Municipal Airport Fund in an amount of \$1,353,760.00, from available net position, for the purpose of transferring to the Municipal Airport Capital Projects Fund;
  2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Municipal Airport Capital Projects Fund in an amount of \$1,353,760.00, transferred from the Municipal Airport Fund, for the purpose of funding an Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Vehicle at Perot Field Fort Worth Alliance Airport (City Project No. 105984); and
  3. Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Adopted Budget and Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program.
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## **DISCUSSION:**

The Aviation Department is seeking City Council approval to appropriate \$1,353,760.00 in the Municipal Airport Capital Projects Fund for the purchase of an Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF) vehicle at Perot Field Fort Worth Alliance Airport (Airport).

Fort Worth Fire Department Station 35 (FWFD Station 35) at the Airport currently maintains three ARFF vehicles to satisfy Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) emergency response requirements. According to the FAA, the average service life of ARFF vehicles are ten to twelve years, and the FAA has multiple factors to consider if an ARFF vehicle is in need of replacement. The oldest ARFF vehicle at the Airport was manufactured in 2003. Not only is it twenty-one years old and has significantly exceeded the FAA's recommended average service life, but almost all FAA criteria has been met to justify its replacement. By replacing this ARFF vehicle, the Airport will be better equipped to satisfy FAA requirements with reliable equipment that is not outdated or obsolete, as well as ensure requirements are still met if any other ARFF vehicles need to be placed out of service for maintenance.

This ARFF vehicle is intended to be funded by the Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) grant funds, however, due to long lead-times for procurement and delivery of ARFF vehicles, the Aviation Department has started the procurement process with the Fort Worth Fire and Purchasing Departments.

This Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) will appropriate funding into the Municipal Airport Capital Projects Fund so the ARFF vehicle can be purchased now and later reimbursed from the FY25 BIL grant. A separate M&C will be completed after receipt of the grant to move funding back into the Municipal Airport Fund.

Funding is available in the net position of the Aviation Department's Municipal Airport Fund for the purpose of transferring to the Municipal Airport Capital Projects Fund for the AFW ARFF VEHICLE (Temp Proj) project. Net position beginning balance is \$11,576,926.82 and new balance will be \$10,223,166.82 after this M&C.

Perot Field Fort Worth Alliance Airport is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 10.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

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## **FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available in the Municipal Airport Fund and upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, funds will be available in the Municipal Airport Capital Proj Fund for the AFW ARFF VEHICLE (Temp Proj) project. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Aviation Department has the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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