

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 09/30/25 M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-0930

LOG NAME: 20RATIFY AMERICAN AIRLINES AFA

SUBJECT

(CD 5) Adopt Appropriation Ordinance Ratifying a Total of \$6,898,996.50 in Current Appropriations Associated with the American Airlines Headquarters Enhanced Community Facilities Project in Identified Funds to Clarify Authorization and to Effect Intent of Mayor and Council Communications C-28898 and 25-0612 and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance in the Amount of \$1,042,623.00 for the City's Match Requirement in the American Airlines Headquarters Enhanced Community Facilities Project

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance ratifying the following current appropriations totaling \$6,898,996.50 associated with the American Airlines Enhanced Community Facilities project in the Transportation Impact Fee Capital Legacy Fund in an amount of \$836,543.49, in the Transportation Impact Fee Capital Fund in the amount of \$379,665.01, in the 2007 Critical Capital Projects Fund in an amount of \$725,000.00, in the 2014 Bond Program Fund in an amount of \$787,297.00, and in the Grants Capital Project State Fund in an amount of \$4,170,491.00; and
2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Capital Project State Fund in a cumulative amount up to \$1,042,623.00, consisting of transfers from the Transportation Impact Fee Capital Legacy Fund in the amount of \$370,334.99, the Transportation Impact Fee Capital Fund in the amount of \$379,665.01, the 2014 Bond Program Fund in the amount of \$117,623.00, and the 2007 Critical Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$175,000.00 for the purpose of providing the City's match requirement in the CFA-American Airlines Pvn & SG project (City Project Number 101314).

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to ratify appropriations associated with the American Airlines Enhanced Community Facilities (ECFA) project in order to provide a clear record of appropriation authority for all current funding associated with the project. Once that base level is properly reset, staff will then be able to undertake adjustments among funding sources as recently authorized by M&C 25-0612 in order to expend expiring Transportation Impact Fees and continue moving the ECFA project toward closure.

M&C 25-0612 recently approved actions to add \$1,016,208.50 in legacy Transportation Impact Fee revenues to the American Airlines ECFA Project in order to free up existing funding sources for other capital projects.

American Airlines is one of the largest employers in the City of Fort Worth, and its development of a new headquarters within the City was understandably viewed as a boon to the local economy. The City undertook multiple efforts to incentivize and facilitate development of the new headquarters, including authorizing and providing two million dollars towards the ECFA for infrastructure supporting the project (see, for example, M&Cs G-18605, G-190918, C-27526, C-28730, C-28898, C-29166, 22-0735). While the construction work is now complete and the headquarters opened for use in 2020, the ECFA project still remains open on the City's books.

The project is complete and the total amount of City dollars has been clearly authorized; however staff recommends that Council adopt the first attached ordinance to ratify the appropriation of existing funding where it currently sits as the most expeditious way to set the base level for finalizing the project and preparing it for closure.

This M&C also includes appropriation of funds in the amount of \$1,042,623.00 to meet the City's required match obligation for the project.

The City's match portion of the grant will come from the 2007 Critical Capital Projects Fund, the 2014 Bond Program Fund, the Transportation Impact Fee Capital Legacy Fund, and the Transportation Impact Fee Capital Fund. The funding is shown in the following table:

Fund	State	Local	Total
39008 – Transportation Impact Fee Capital Legacy		\$370,334.99	\$370,334.99
39001 – 2007 Critical Capital Projects		\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
30108 – Transportation Impact Fee Capital		\$379,665.01	\$379,665.01

34014 – 2014 Bond Program		\$117,623.00	\$117,623.00
31002 – Grants Capital Project State	\$4,170,491.00		
Total	\$4,170,491.00	\$1,042,623.00	\$5,213,114.00

If this M&C is approved and the attached appropriation ordinances adopted, then staff will be able to complete the impact-fee swap authorized by M&C 25-0612 and continue its efforts to move the ECFA project toward being closed out.

This project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 5.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: TXDOT

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, funds will be available, as appropriated, in the Grants Cap Projects State Fund, the Trans Impact Fee Cap Legacy Fund, the Transportation Impact Fee Cap Fund, the 2007 Critical Capital Projects Fund, and the 2014 Bond Program Fund. The Transportation & Public Works Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to expenditures being incurred, the Transportation & Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a State Advance Funding Agreement.

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