



# Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

**21**  
Agenda Item #

**Requested Meeting Date:** Sept. 24, 2024

**Title of Item:** Aitkin Airport Grant Agreement - AIT-025

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<b>Action Requested:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <small>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*
<b>Submitted by:</b> Jessica Seibert		<b>Department:</b> Admin
<b>Presenter (Name and Title):</b>		<b>Estimated Time Needed:</b>
<b>Summary of Issue:</b> Please see attached FAA grant agreement for the Aitkin Airport.  The agreement has been reviewed by the County Attorney.		
<b>Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:</b>		
<b>Recommended Action/Motion:</b> Approve FY 2024 AIP Grant Agreement for the Aitkin Municipal Airport.		
<b>Financial Impact:</b> Is there a cost associated with this request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>Please Explain:</i>		



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August 19, 2024

Ms. Jennifer Thompson  
Airport Manager  
109 First Ave NW  
Aitkin, MN 56431

Dear Ms. Thompson:

The Grant Offer for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) - Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) Project No. **3-27-0002-025-2024** at Aitkin Municipal/Steve Kurtz Field Airport is attached for execution. This letter outlines the steps you must take to properly enter into this agreement and provides other useful information. Please read the conditions, special conditions, and assurances that comprise the grant offer carefully.

**You may not make any modification to the text, terms or conditions of the grant offer.**

***Steps You Must Take to Enter Into Agreement.***

To properly enter into this agreement, you must do the following:

1. The governing body must give authority to execute the grant to the individual(s) signing the grant, i.e., the person signing the document must be the sponsor’s authorized representative(s) (hereinafter “authorized representative”).
2. The authorized representative must execute the grant by adding their electronic signature to the appropriate certificate at the end of the agreement.
3. Once the authorized representative has electronically signed the grant, the sponsor’s attorney(s) will automatically receive an email notification.
4. On the **same day or after** the authorized representative has signed the grant, the sponsor’s attorney(s) will add their electronic signature to the appropriate certificate at the end of the agreement.
5. If there are co-sponsors, the authorized representative(s) and sponsor’s attorney(s) must follow the above procedures to fully execute the grant and finalize the process. Signatures must be obtained and finalized no later than **September 16, 2024**.
6. The fully executed grant will then be automatically sent to all parties as an email attachment.

***Payment.*** Subject to the requirements in 2 CFR § 200.305 (Federal Payment), each payment request for reimbursement under this grant must be made electronically via the Delphi eInvoicing System. Please see the attached Grant Agreement for more information regarding the use of this System.

***Project Timing.*** The terms and conditions of this agreement require you to complete the project without undue delay and no later than the Period of Performance end date (1,460 days from the grant execution date). We will be monitoring your progress to ensure proper stewardship of these Federal funds. **We expect you to submit payment requests for reimbursement of allowable incurred project expenses**

consistent with project progress. Your grant may be placed in “inactive” status if you do not make draws on a regular basis, which will affect your ability to receive future grant offers. Costs incurred after the Period of Performance ends are generally not allowable and will be rejected unless authorized by the FAA in advance.

**Reporting.** Until the grant is completed and closed, you are responsible for submitting formal reports as follows:

- For all grants, you must submit by December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year this grant is open:
  1. A signed/dated SF-270 (Request for Advance or Reimbursement for non-construction projects) or SF-271 or equivalent (Outlay Report and Request for Reimbursement for Construction Programs), and
  2. An SF-425 (Federal Financial Report).
- For non-construction projects, you must submit FAA Form 5100-140, Performance Report within 30 days of the end of the Federal fiscal year.
- For construction projects, you must submit FAA Form 5370-1, Construction Progress and Inspection Report, within 30 days of the end of each Federal fiscal quarter.

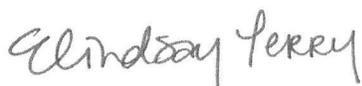
**Audit Requirements.** As a condition of receiving Federal assistance under this award, you must comply with audit requirements as established under 2 CFR Part 200. Subpart F requires non-Federal entities that expend \$750,000 or more in Federal awards to conduct a single or program specific audit for that year. Note that this includes Federal expenditures made under other Federal-assistance programs. Please take appropriate and necessary action to ensure your organization will comply with applicable audit requirements and standards.

**Closeout.** Once the project(s) is completed and all costs are determined, we ask that you work with your FAA contact indicated below to close the project without delay and submit the necessary final closeout documentation as required by your Region/Airports District Office.

**FAA Contact Information.** Gaven O Hair, (612) 253-4637, [gaven.t.o#39;hair@faa.gov](mailto:gaven.t.o#39;hair@faa.gov) is the assigned program manager for this grant and is readily available to assist you and your designated representative with the requirements stated herein.

We sincerely value your cooperation in these efforts and look forward to working with you to complete this important project.

Sincerely,



E. Lindsay Terry  
Manager



U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Aviation Administration

**FY 2024 AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT  
GRANT AGREEMENT  
Part I - Offer**

Federal Award Offer Date August 19, 2024

Airport/Planning Area Aitkin Municipal/Steve Kurtz Field Airport

Airport Infrastructure Grant Number 3-27-0002-025-2024

Unique Entity Identifier XRFKA2FKJP42

TO: City of Aitkin and County of Aitkin

(herein called the "Sponsor") (For Co-Sponsors, list all Co-Sponsor names. The word "Sponsor" in this Grant Agreement also applies to a Co-Sponsor.)

*This grant channels through the State of Minnesota.*

FROM: **The United States of America** (acting through the Federal Aviation Administration, herein called the "FAA")

**WHEREAS**, the Sponsor has submitted to the FAA a Project Application dated August 14, 2024, for a grant of Federal funds for a project at or associated with the Aitkin Municipal/Steve Kurtz Field Airport, which is included as part of this Grant Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the FAA has approved a project for the Aitkin Municipal/Steve Kurtz Field Airport (herein called the "Project") consisting of the following:

**Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - REILs**

which is more fully described in the Project Application.

**NOW THEREFORE**, Pursuant to and for the purpose of carrying out the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58) of 2021 referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL); and the representations contained in the Project Application; and in consideration of: (a) the Sponsor's adoption and ratification of the Grant Assurances attached hereto; (b) the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer; and

(c) the benefits to accrue to the United States and the public from the accomplishment of the Project and compliance with the Grant Assurance and conditions as herein provided;

**THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES, HEREBY OFFERS AND AGREES to pay (90) % of the allowable costs incurred accomplishing the Project as the United States share of the Project.**

**Assistance Listings Number (Formerly CFDA Number): 20.106**

**This Offer is made on and SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

### **CONDITIONS**

1. **Maximum Obligation.** The maximum obligation of the United States payable under this Offer is **\$372,883.**

The following amounts represent a breakdown of the maximum obligation for the purpose of establishing allowable amounts for any future grant amendment, which may increase the foregoing maximum obligation of the United States under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 47108(b):

\$0 for planning

\$372,883 for airport development or noise program implementation; and,

\$0 for land acquisition.

2. **Grant Performance.** This Grant Agreement is subject to the following Federal award requirements:
  - a. **Period of Performance:**
    1. Shall start on the date the Sponsor formally accepts this Agreement and is the date signed by the last Sponsor signatory to the Agreement. The end date of the Period of Performance is 4 years (1,460 calendar days) from the date of acceptance. The Period of Performance end date shall not affect, relieve, or reduce Sponsor obligations and assurances that extend beyond the closeout of this Grant Agreement.
    2. Means the total estimated time interval between the start of an initial Federal award and the planned end date, which may include one or more funded portions or budget periods (2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 200.1).
  - b. **Budget Period:**
    1. For this Grant is 4 years (1,460 calendar days) and follows the same start and end date as the Period of Performance provided in paragraph 2(a)(1). Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.403(h), the Sponsor may charge to the Grant only allowable costs incurred during the Budget Period. Eligible project-related costs incurred on or after November 15, 2021 that comply with all Federal funding procurement requirements and FAA standards are allowable costs.
    2. Means the time interval from the start date of a funded portion of an award to the end date of that funded portion during which the Sponsor is authorized to expend the funds awarded, including any funds carried forward or other revisions pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.308.
  - c. **Close Out and Termination**
    1. Unless the FAA authorizes a written extension, the Sponsor must submit all Grant closeout documentation and liquidate (pay-off) all obligations incurred under this award no later than 120 calendar days after the end date of the Period of Performance. If the Sponsor does not submit all required closeout documentation within this time period, the FAA will

proceed to close out the grant within one year of the Period of Performance end date with the information available at the end of 120 days (2 CFR § 200.344).

2. The FAA may terminate this Grant, in whole or in part, in accordance with the conditions set forth in 2 CFR § 200.340, or other Federal regulatory or statutory authorities as applicable.
3. **Ineligible or Unallowable Costs.** The Sponsor must not include any costs in the project that the FAA has determined to be ineligible or unallowable.
4. **Indirect Costs - Sponsor.** The Sponsor may charge indirect costs under this award by applying the indirect cost rate identified in the project application as accepted by the FAA, to allowable costs for Sponsor direct salaries and wages.
5. **Determining the Final Federal Share of Costs.** The United States' share of allowable project costs will be made in accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 47109, the regulations, policies, and procedures of the Secretary of Transportation ("Secretary"), and any superseding legislation. Final determination of the United States' share will be based upon the final audit of the total amount of allowable project costs and settlement will be made for any upward or downward adjustments to the Federal share of costs.
6. **Completing the Project Without Delay and in Conformance with Requirements.** The Sponsor must carry out and complete the project without undue delays and in accordance with this Agreement, BIL (Public Law 117-58), the regulations, policies, and procedures of the Secretary. Per 2 CFR § 200.308, the Sponsor agrees to report and request prior FAA approval for any disengagement from performing the project that exceeds three months or a 25 percent reduction in time devoted to the project. The report must include a reason for the project stoppage. The Sponsor also agrees to comply with the grant assurances, which are part of this Agreement.
7. **Amendments or Withdrawals before Grant Acceptance.** The FAA reserves the right to amend or withdraw this offer at any time prior to its acceptance by the Sponsor.
8. **Offer Expiration Date.** This offer will expire and the United States will not be obligated to pay any part of the costs of the project unless this offer has been accepted by the Sponsor on or before **September 16, 2024**, or such subsequent date as may be prescribed in writing by the FAA.
9. **Improper Use of Federal Funds.** The Sponsor must take all steps, including litigation if necessary, to recover Federal funds spent fraudulently, wastefully, or in violation of Federal antitrust statutes, or misused in any other manner for any project upon which Federal funds have been expended. For the purposes of this Grant Agreement, the term "Federal funds" means funds however used or dispersed by the Sponsor, that were originally paid pursuant to this or any other Federal grant agreement. The Sponsor must obtain the approval of the Secretary as to any determination of the amount of the Federal share of such funds. The Sponsor must return the recovered Federal share, including funds recovered by settlement, order, or judgment, to the Secretary. The Sponsor must furnish to the Secretary, upon request, all documents and records pertaining to the determination of the amount of the Federal share or to any settlement, litigation, negotiation, or other efforts taken to recover such funds. All settlements or other final positions of the Sponsor, in court or otherwise, involving the recovery of such Federal share require advance approval by the Secretary.
10. **United States Not Liable for Damage or Injury.** The United States is not responsible or liable for damage to property or injury to persons which may arise from, or be incident to, compliance with this Grant Agreement.
11. **System for Award Management (SAM) Registration and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).**

- a. Requirement for System for Award Management (SAM): Unless the Sponsor is exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR § 25.110, the Sponsor must maintain the currency of its information in the SAM until the Sponsor submits the final financial report required under this Grant, or receives the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that the Sponsor review and update the information at least annually after the initial registration and more frequently if required by changes in information or another award term. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM website (currently at <http://www.sam.gov>).
  - b. Unique entity identifier (UEI) means a 12-character alpha-numeric value used to identify a specific commercial, nonprofit or governmental entity. A UEI may be obtained from SAM.gov at <https://sam.gov/content/entity-registration>.
12. **Electronic Grant Payment(s)**. Unless otherwise directed by the FAA, the Sponsor must make each payment request under this Agreement electronically via the Delphi eInvoicing System for Department of Transportation (DOT) Financial Assistance Awardees.
  13. **Informal Letter Amendment of BIL Projects**. If, during the life of the project, the FAA determines that the maximum grant obligation of the United States exceeds the expected needs of the Sponsor by \$25,000 or five percent (5%), whichever is greater, the FAA can issue a letter amendment to the Sponsor unilaterally reducing the maximum obligation.
 

The FAA can, subject to the availability of Federal funds, also issue a letter to the Sponsor increasing the maximum obligation if there is an overrun in the total actual eligible and allowable project costs to cover the amount of the overrun provided it will not exceed the statutory limitations for grant amendments. The FAA's authority to increase the maximum obligation does not apply to the "planning" component of Condition No. 1, Maximum Obligation.

The FAA can also issue an informal letter amendment that modifies the grant description to correct administrative errors or to delete work items if the FAA finds it advantageous and in the best interests of the United States.

An informal letter amendment has the same force and effect as a formal grant amendment.
  14. **Environmental Standards**. The Sponsor is required to comply with all applicable environmental standards, as further defined in the Grant Assurances, for all projects in this grant. If the Sponsor fails to comply with this requirement, the FAA may suspend, cancel, or terminate this Grant Agreement.
  15. **Financial Reporting and Payment Requirements**. The Sponsor will comply with all Federal financial reporting requirements and payment requirements, including submittal of timely and accurate reports.
  16. **Buy American**. Unless otherwise approved in advance by the FAA, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 50101, the Sponsor will not acquire or permit any contractor or subcontractor to acquire any steel or manufactured goods produced outside the United States to be used for any project for which funds are provided under this Grant. The Sponsor will include a provision implementing Buy American in every contract and subcontract awarded under this Grant.
  17. **Build America, Buy American**. The Sponsor must comply with the requirements under the Build America, Buy America Act (Public Law 117-58).
  18. **Maximum Obligation Increase**. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 47108(b)(3), as amended, the maximum obligation of the United States, as stated in Condition No. 1, Maximum Obligation, of this Grant:

- a. May not be increased for a planning project;
- b. May be increased by not more than 15 percent for development projects, if funds are available;
- c. May be increased by not more than the greater of the following for a land project, if funds are available:
  1. 15 percent; or
  2. 25 percent of the total increase in allowable project costs attributable to acquiring an interest in the land.

If the Sponsor requests an increase, any eligible increase in funding will be subject to the United States Government share as provided in BIL (Public Law 117-58), or other superseding legislation if applicable, for the fiscal year appropriation with which the increase is funded. The FAA is not responsible for the same Federal share provided herein for any amount increased over the initial grant amount. The FAA may adjust the Federal share as applicable through an informal letter of amendment.

**19. Audits for Sponsors.**

**PUBLIC SPONSORS.** The Sponsor must provide for a Single Audit or program-specific audit in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200. The Sponsor must submit the audit reporting package to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse on the Federal Audit Clearinghouse's Internet Data Entry System at <http://harvester.census.gov/facweb/>. Upon request of the FAA, the Sponsor shall provide one copy of the completed audit to the FAA. Sponsors that expend less than \$750,000 in Federal awards and are exempt from Federal audit requirements must make records available for review or audit by the appropriate Federal agency officials, State, and Government Accountability Office. The FAA and other appropriate Federal agencies may request additional information to meet all Federal audit requirements.

**20. Suspension or Debarment.** When entering into a "covered transaction" as defined by 2 CFR § 180.200, the Sponsor must:

- a. Verify the non-Federal entity is eligible to participate in this Federal program by:
  1. Checking the Responsibility/Qualification records in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS) as maintained within the System for Award Management (SAM) to determine if the non-Federal entity is excluded or disqualified; or
  2. Collecting a certification statement from the non-Federal entity attesting they are not excluded or disqualified from participating; or
  3. Adding a clause or condition to covered transactions attesting the individual or firm are not excluded or disqualified from participating.
- b. Require prime contractors to comply with 2 CFR § 180.330 when entering into lower-tier transactions with their contractors and sub-contractors.
- c. Immediately disclose in writing to the FAA whenever (1) the Sponsor learns they have entered into a covered transaction with an ineligible entity or (2) the Public Sponsor suspends or debar a contractor, person, or entity.

**21. Ban on Texting While Driving.**

- a. In accordance with Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, October 1, 2009, and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving, December 30, 2009, the Sponsor is encouraged to:
  1. Adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers including policies to ban text messaging while driving when performing any work for, or on behalf of, the Federal government, including work relating to a grant or subgrant.
  2. Conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as:
    - i. Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and
    - ii. Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.
- b. The Sponsor must insert the substance of this clause on banning texting while driving in all subgrants, contracts, and subcontracts funded with this Grant.

## **22. Trafficking in Persons.**

- a. *Posting of contact information.*
  1. The Sponsor must post the contact information of the national human trafficking hotline (including options to reach out to the hotline such as through phone, text, or TTY) in all public airport restrooms.
- b. *Provisions applicable to a recipient that is a private entity.*
  1. You as the recipient, your employees, subrecipients under this Grant, and subrecipients' employees may not:
    - i. Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the Grant and applicable conditions are in effect;
    - ii. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the Grant and applicable conditions are in effect; or
    - iii. Use forced labor in the performance of the Grant or any subgrants under this Grant.
  2. We as the Federal awarding agency, may unilaterally terminate this Grant, without penalty, if you or a subrecipient that is a private entity –
    - i. Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph (b) of this Grant Condition; or
    - ii. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the Grant to have violated a prohibition in paragraph (b) of this Grant Condition through conduct that is either –
      - a) Associated with performance under this Grant; or
      - b) Imputed to you or the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR Part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," as implemented by our agency at 2 CFR Part 1200.

- c. *Provision applicable to a recipient other than a private entity.* We as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this Grant, without penalty, if a subrecipient that is a private entity –
1. Is determined to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph (a) of this Grant Condition; or
  2. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the Grant to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph (a) of this Grant Condition through conduct that is either –
    - i. Associated with performance under this Grant; or
    - ii. Imputed to the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR Part 180, “OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement),” as implemented by our agency at 2 CFR Part 1200.
- d. *Provisions applicable to any recipient.*
1. You must inform us immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph (a) of this Grant Condition.
  2. Our right to terminate unilaterally that is described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this Grant Condition:
    - i. Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended [22 U.S.C. § 7104(g)], and
    - ii. Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to us under this Grant.
  3. You must include the requirements of paragraph (a) of this Grant Condition in any subgrant you make to a private entity.
- e. *Definitions.* For purposes of this Grant Condition:
1. “Employee” means either:
    - i. An individual employed by you or a subrecipient who is engaged in the performance of the project or program under this Grant; or
    - ii. Another person engaged in the performance of the project or program under this Grant and not compensated by you including, but not limited to, a volunteer or individual whose services are contributed by a third party as an in-kind contribution toward cost sharing or matching requirements.
  2. “Forced labor” means labor obtained by any of the following methods: the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.
  3. “Private entity”:
    - i. Means any entity other than a State, local government, Indian tribe, or foreign public entity, as those terms are defined in 2 CFR § 175.25.
    - ii. Includes:

- a) A nonprofit organization, including any nonprofit institute of higher education, hospital, or tribal organization other than one included in the definition of Indian tribe at 2 CFR § 175.25(b).
  - b) A for-profit organization.
- 4. "Severe forms of trafficking in persons," "commercial sex act," and "coercion" have the meanings given at section 103 of the TVPA, as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7102).
- 23. **BIL Funded Work Included in a PFC Application.** Within 120 days of acceptance of this Grant Agreement, the Sponsor must submit to the FAA an amendment to any approved Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) application that contains an approved PFC project also covered under this Grant Agreement as described in the project application. The airport sponsor may not make any expenditure under this Grant Agreement until project work addressed under this Grant Agreement is removed from an approved PFC application by amendment.
- 24. **Exhibit "A" Property Map.** The Exhibit "A" Property Map dated August 18, 2022, is incorporated herein by reference or is submitted with the project application and made part of this Grant Agreement.
- 25. **Employee Protection from Reprisal.**
  - a. Prohibition of Reprisals.
    - 1. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, an employee of a Sponsor, grantee, subgrantee, contractor, or subcontractor may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing to a person or body described in sub-paragraph (a)(2) below, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of:
      - i. Gross mismanagement of a Federal grant;
      - ii. Gross waste of Federal funds;
      - iii. An abuse of authority relating to implementation or use of Federal funds;
      - iv. A substantial and specific danger to public health or safety; or
      - v. A violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a Federal grant.
    - 2. Persons and bodies covered. The persons and bodies to which a disclosure by an employee is covered are as follows:
      - i. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress;
      - ii. An Inspector General;
      - iii. The Government Accountability Office;
      - iv. A Federal employee responsible for contract or grant oversight or management at the relevant agency;
      - v. A court or grand jury;
      - vi. A management official or other employee of the Sponsor, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct; or
      - vii. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency.
  - b. Investigation of Complaints.

1. **Submission of Complaint.** A person who believes that they have been subjected to a reprisal prohibited by paragraph (a) of this Condition may submit a complaint regarding the reprisal to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the U.S. Department of Transportation.
  2. **Time Limitation for Submittal of a Complaint.** A complaint may not be brought under this subsection more than three years after the date on which the alleged reprisal took place.
  3. **Required Actions of the Inspector General.** Actions, limitations, and exceptions of the OIG's office are established under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(b).
- c. **Remedy and Enforcement Authority.**
1. **Assumption of Rights to Civil Remedy.** Upon receipt of an explanation of a decision not to conduct or continue an investigation by the OIG, the person submitting a complaint assumes the right to a civil remedy under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(c)(2).
26. **Prohibited Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services and Equipment.** The Sponsor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to use and procurement of certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment in compliance with the National Defense Authorization Act [Public Law 115-232 § 889(f)(1)] and 2 CFR § 200.216.
27. **Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.** As a condition of a grant award, the Sponsor shall demonstrate that it complies with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq) and implementing regulations (49 CFR part 21), the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 U.S.C. § 47123), the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 12101, et seq.), U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Assurances, and other relevant civil rights statutes, regulations, or authorities. This may include, as applicable, providing a current Title VI Program Plan and a Community Participation Plan (alternatively may be called a Public Participation Plan) to the FAA for approval, in the format and according to the timeline required by the FAA, and other information about the communities that will be benefited and impacted by the project. A completed FAA Title VI Pre-Grant Award Checklist is also required for every grant application, unless excused by the FAA. The Sponsor shall affirmatively ensure that when carrying out any project supported by this grant that it complies with all federal nondiscrimination and civil rights laws based on race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), creed, age, disability, genetic information, or environmental justice in consideration for federal financial assistance. The Sponsor, who have not sufficiently demonstrated the conditions of compliance with civil rights requirements will be required to do so before receiving funds. The Department's and FAA's Office of Civil Rights may provide resources and technical assistance to recipients to ensure full and sustainable compliance with Federal civil rights requirements. Failure to comply with civil rights requirements will be considered a violation of the agreement or contract and be subject to any enforcement action as authorized by law.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

28. **Environmental**. The environmental approval for this project was issued on 2/26/2024.
29. **Instrument Landing System and Associated Equipment in Project**. The Sponsor agrees that it will:
  - a. Prior to commissioning, assure the equipment meets the FAA's standards; and
  - b. To remove, relocate, lower, mark, or light each obstruction to obtain a clear approach as indicated in the 14 CFR Part 77 aeronautical survey.
30. **Airport - Owned Visual or Electronic Navigation Aids in Project**. The Sponsor agrees that it will:
  - a. Provide for the continuous operation and maintenance of any navigational aid funded under this Grant Agreement during the useful life of the equipment;
  - b. Prior to commissioning, assure the equipment meets the FAA's standards; and
  - c. Remove, relocate, lower, mark, or light each obstruction to obtain a clear approach as indicated in the 14 CFR Part 77 aeronautical survey.
31. **Leaded Fuel**. FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 (P.L. 118-63) Section 770 "Grant Assurances" requires airports that made 100-octane low lead aviation gasoline (100LL) available at any time during calendar year 2022 to not prohibit or restrict the sale or self-fueling of such aviation gasoline. This requirement remains until the earlier of 2030 or the date on which the airport or any retail fuel seller at the airport makes available an FAA-authorized unleaded aviation gasoline replacement for 100LL meeting either an industry consensus standard or other standard that facilitates the safe use, production, and distribution of such unleaded aviation gasoline, as deemed appropriate by the Administrator. The Sponsor understands and agrees that any violations are subject to civil penalties.
32. **Buy American Executive Orders**. The Sponsor agrees to abide by applicable Executive Orders in effect at the time this Grant Agreement is executed, including Executive Order 14005, Ensuring the Future Is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers.

The Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer and ratification and adoption of the Project Application incorporated herein shall be evidenced by execution of this instrument by the Sponsor, as hereinafter provided, and this Offer and Acceptance shall comprise a Grant Agreement, constituting the contractual obligations and rights of the United States and the Sponsor with respect to the accomplishment of the Project and compliance with the Grant Assurances, terms, and conditions as provided herein. Such Grant Agreement shall become effective upon the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.<sup>1</sup>

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**



\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Signature)*

E. Lindsay Terry

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Typed Name)*

Manager, FAA-DMA-ADO

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Title of FAA Official)*

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**Part II - Acceptance**

The Sponsor does hereby ratify and adopt all assurances, statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in the Project Application and incorporated materials referred to in the foregoing Offer, and does hereby accept this Offer and by such acceptance agrees to comply with all of the Grant Assurances, terms, and conditions in this Offer and in the Project Application.

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Dated August 26, 2024

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City of Aitkin and County of Aitkin

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Name of Sponsor)*

*Jennifer Thompson*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer Thompson (Aug 26, 2024 15:11 CDT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Signature of Sponsor's Authorized Official)*

**By:** Jennifer Thompson

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Typed Name of Sponsor's Authorized Official)*

**Title:** City Administrator

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*(Title of Sponsor's Authorized Official)*

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Dated \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City of Aitkin and County of Aitkin

*(Name of Sponsor)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Signature of Sponsor's Authorized Official)*

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Typed Name of Sponsor's Authorized Official)*

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Title of Sponsor's Authorized Official)*

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**CERTIFICATE OF SPONSOR’S ATTORNEY**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acting as Attorney for the Sponsor do hereby certify:

That in my opinion the Sponsor is empowered to enter into the foregoing Grant Agreement under the laws of the State of Minnesota. Further, I have examined the foregoing Grant Agreement and the actions taken by said Sponsor and Sponsor’s official representative, who has been duly authorized to execute this Grant Agreement, which is in all respects due and proper and in accordance with the laws of the said State; the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58) of 2021 referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), Division J, Title VIII; and the representations contained in the Project Application. In addition, for grants involving projects to be carried out on property not owned by the Sponsor, there are no legal impediments that will prevent full performance by the Sponsor. Further, it is my opinion that the said Grant Agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation of the Sponsor in accordance with the terms thereof.

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Dated at \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Signature of Sponsor’s Attorney)*

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, acting as Attorney for the Sponsor do hereby certify:

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## Certification and Disclosure Regarding Potential Conflicts of Interest Airport Improvement Program Sponsor Certification

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**Sponsor:** City of Aitkin

**Airport:** Aitkin Municipal/ Steve Kurtz Field Airport

**Project Number:** 3-27-0002-025-2024

**Description of Work:** Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway C

### Application

Title 2 CFR § 200.112 and § 1201.112 address Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements for conflict of interest. As a condition of eligibility under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), sponsors must comply with FAA policy on conflict of interest. Such a conflict would arise when any of the following have a financial or other interest in the firm selected for award:

- a) The employee, officer or agent,
- b) Any member of his immediate family,
- c) His or her partner, or
- d) An organization which employs, or is about to employ, any of the above.

Selecting "Yes" represents sponsor or sub-recipient acknowledgement and confirmation of the certification statement. Selecting "No" represents sponsor or sub-recipient disclosure that it cannot fully comply with the certification statement. If "No" is selected, provide support information explaining the negative response as an attachment to this form. This includes whether the sponsor has established standards for financial interest that are not substantial or unsolicited gifts are of nominal value (2 CFR § 200.318(c)). The term "will" means Sponsor action taken at appropriate time based on the certification statement focus area, but no later than the end of the project period of performance.

### Certification Statements

1. The sponsor or sub-recipient maintains a written standards of conduct governing conflict of interest and the performance of their employees engaged in the award and administration of contracts (2 CFR § 200.318(c)). To the extent permitted by state or local law or regulations, such standards of conduct provide for penalties, sanctions, or other disciplinary actions for violations of such standards by the sponsor's and sub-recipient's officers, employees, or agents, or by contractors or their agents.

Yes  No  N/A

2. The sponsor's or sub-recipient's officers, employees or agents have not and will not solicit or accept gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from contractors, potential contractors, or parties to sub-agreements (2 CFR § 200.318(c)).

Yes  No  N/A

3. The sponsor or sub-recipient certifies that is has disclosed and will disclose to the FAA any known potential conflict of interest (2 CFR § 1200.112).

Yes  No  N/A

Attach documentation clarifying any above item marked with "no" response.

### Sponsor's Certification

I certify, for the project identified herein, responses to the forgoing items are accurate as marked and additional documentation for any item marked "no" is correct and complete.

August 26, 2024

Name of Sponsor:

Name of Sponsor's Authorized Official: Jennifer Thompson

Title of Sponsor's Authorized Official: City Administrator

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## Construction Project Final Acceptance Airport Improvement Program Sponsor Certification

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**Sponsor:** City of Aitkin

**Airport:** Aitkin Municipal/ Steve Kurtz Field Airport

**Project Number:** 3-27-0002-025-2024

**Description of Work:** Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway

### Application

49 USC § 47105(d), authorizes the Secretary to require me certification from the sponsor that it will comply with the statutory and administrative requirements in carrying out a project under the Airport Improvement Program. General standards for final acceptance and close out of federally funded construction projects are in 2 CFR § 200.343 – Closeout and supplemented by FAA Order 5100.38. The sponsor must determine that project costs are accurate and proper in accordance with specific requirements of the grant agreement and contract documents.

### Certification Statements

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1. The personnel engaged in project administration, engineering supervision, project inspection, and acceptance testing were or will be determined to be qualified and competent to perform the work (Grant Assurance).  
 Yes  No  N/A
2. Construction records, including daily logs, were or will be kept by the resident engineer/construction inspector that fully document contractor’s performance in complying with:
  - a. Technical standards (Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5370-12);
  - b. Contract requirements (2 CFR part 200 and FAA Order 5100.38); and
  - c. Construction safety and phasing plan measures (AC 150/5370-2). Yes  No  N/A
3. All acceptance tests specified in the project specifications were or will be performed and documented. (AC 150/5370-12).  
 Yes  No  N/A

4. Sponsor has taken or will take appropriate corrective action for any test result outside of allowable tolerances (AC 150/5370-12).
- Yes  No  N/A
5. Pay reduction factors required by the specifications were applied or will be applied in computing final payments with a summary made available to the FAA (AC 150/5370-10).
- Yes  No  N/A
6. Sponsor has notified, or will promptly notify the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) of the following occurrences:
- a. Violations of any federal requirements set forth or included by reference in the contract documents (2 CFR part 200);
  - b. Disputes or complaints concerning federal labor standards (29 CFR part 5); and
  - c. Violations of or complaints addressing conformance with Equal Employment Opportunity or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise requirements (41 CFR Chapter 60 and 49 CFR part 26).
- Yes  No  N/A
7. Weekly payroll records and statements of compliance were or will be submitted by the prime contractor and reviewed by the sponsor for conformance with federal labor and civil rights requirements as required by FAA and U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 5).
- Yes  No  N/A
8. Payments to the contractor were or will be made in conformance with federal requirements and contract provisions using sponsor internal controls that include:
- a. Retaining source documentation of payments and verifying contractor billing statements against actual performance (2 CFR § 200.302 and FAA Order 5100.38);
  - b. Prompt payment of subcontractors for satisfactory performance of work (49 CFR § 26.29);
  - c. Release of applicable retainage upon satisfactory performance of work (49 CFR § 26.29); and
  - d. Verification that payments to DBEs represent work the DBE performed by carrying out a commercially useful function (49 CFR §26.55).
- Yes  No  N/A
9. A final project inspection was or will be conducted with representatives of the sponsor and the contractor present that ensure:
- a. Physical completion of project work in conformance with approved plans and specifications (Order 5100.38);
  - b. Necessary actions to correct punch list items identified during final inspection are complete (Order 5100.38); and
  - c. Preparation of a record of final inspection and distribution to parties to the contract (Order 5100.38);
- Yes  No  N/A
10. The project was or will be accomplished without material deviations, changes, or modifications from approved plans and specifications, except as approved by the FAA (Order 5100.38).
- Yes  No  N/A

11. The construction of all buildings have complied or will comply with the seismic construction requirements of 49 CFR § 41.120.

Yes  No  N/A

12. For development projects, sponsor has taken or will take the following close-out actions:

a. Submit to the FAA a final test and quality assurance report summarizing acceptance test results, as applicable (Grant Condition);

b. Complete all environmental requirements as established within the project environmental determination (Order 5100.38); and

c. Prepare and retain as-built plans (Order 5100.38)

Yes  No  N/A

13. Sponsor has revised or will revise their airport layout plan (ALP) that reflects improvements made and has submitted or will submit an updated ALP to the FAA no later than 90 days from the period of performance end date. (49 USC § 47107 and Order 5100.38).

Yes  No  N/A

Attach documentation clarifying any above item marked with "No" response.

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August 26, 2024

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Title of Sponsor's Authorized Official: City Administrator

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Jennifer Thompson (Aug 26, 2024 15:11 CDT)

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## Selection of Consultants

### Airport Improvement Program Sponsor Certification

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**Description of Work:** Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway  
Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway

#### Application

49 USC § 47105(d) authorizes the Secretary to require certification from the sponsor that it will comply with the statutory and administrative requirements in carrying out a project under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). General requirements for selection of consultant services within federal grant programs are described in 2 CFR §§ 200.317-200.326. Sponsors may use other qualifications-based procedures provided they are equivalent to standards of Title 40 chapter 11 and FAA Advisory Circular 150/5100-14, Architectural, Engineering, and Planning Consultant Services for Airport Grant Projects.

#### Certification Statements

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1. Sponsor acknowledges their responsibility for the settlement of all contractual and administrative issues arising out of their procurement actions (2 CFR § 200.318(k)).  
 Yes  No  N/A
2. Sponsor procurement actions ensure or will ensure full and open competition that does not unduly limit competition (2 CFR § 200.319).  
 Yes  No  N/A
3. Sponsor has excluded or will exclude any entity that develops or drafts specifications, requirements, or statements of work associated with the development of a request-for-qualifications (RFQ) from competing for the advertised services (2 CFR § 200.319).  
 Yes  No  N/A

4. The advertisement describes or will describe specific project statements-of-work that provide clear detail of required services without unduly restricting competition (2 CFR § 200.319).  
 Yes  No  N/A
5. Sponsor has publicized or will publicize a RFQ that:  
a. Solicits an adequate number of qualified sources (2 CFR § 200.320(d)); and  
b. Identifies all evaluation criteria and relative importance (2 CFR § 200.320(d)).  
 Yes  No  N/A
6. Sponsor has based or will base selection on qualifications, experience, and disadvantaged business enterprise participation with price not being a selection factor (2 CFR § 200.320(d)).  
 Yes  No  N/A
7. Sponsor has verified or will verify that agreements exceeding \$25,000 are not awarded to individuals or firms suspended, debarred or otherwise excluded from participating in federally assisted projects (2 CFR §180.300).  
 Yes  No  N/A
8. A/E services covering multiple projects: Sponsor has agreed to or will agree to:  
a. Refrain from initiating work covered by this procurement beyond five years from the date of selection (AC 150/5100-14); and  
b. Retain the right to conduct new procurement actions for projects identified or not identified in the RFQ (AC 150/5100-14).  
 Yes  No  N/A
9. Sponsor has negotiated or will negotiate a fair and reasonable fee with the firm they select as most qualified for the services identified in the RFQ (2 CFR §200.323).  
 Yes  No  N/A
10. The Sponsor's contract identifies or will identify costs associated with ineligible work separately from costs associated with eligible work (2 CFR §200.302).  
 Yes  No  N/A
11. Sponsor has prepared or will prepare a record of negotiations detailing the history of the procurement action, rationale for contract type and basis for contract fees (2 CFR §200.318(i)).  
 Yes  No  N/A
12. Sponsor has incorporated or will incorporate mandatory contract provisions in the consultant contract for AIP-assisted work (49 U.S.C. Chapter 471 and 2 CFR part 200 Appendix II)  
 Yes  No  N/A

13. For contracts that apply a time-and-material payment provision (also known as hourly rates, specific rates of compensation, and labor rates), the Sponsor has established or will establish:

- a. Justification that there is no other suitable contract method for the services (2 CFR §200.318(j));
- b. A ceiling price that the consultant exceeds at their risk (2 CFR §200.318(j)); and
- c. A high degree of oversight that assures consultant is performing work in an efficient manner with effective cost controls in place 2 CFR §200.318(j)).

Yes  No  N/A

14. Sponsor is not using or will not use the prohibited cost-plus-percentage-of-cost (CPPC) contract method. (2 CFR § 200.323(d)).

Yes  No  N/A

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## Drug-Free Workplace Airport Improvement Program Sponsor Certification

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**Airport:** Aitkin Municipal/ Steve Kurtz Field Airport

**Project Number:** 3-27-0002-025-2024

**Description of Work:** Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway

### Application

49 USC § 47105(d) authorizes the Secretary to require certification from the sponsor that it will comply with the statutory and administrative requirements in carrying out a project under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). General requirements on the drug-free workplace within federal grant programs are described in 2 CFR part 182. Sponsors are required to certify they will be, or will continue to provide, a drug-free workplace in accordance with the regulation. The AIP project grant agreement contains specific assurances on the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988.

### Certification Statements

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1. A statement has been or will be published prior to commencement of project notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the sponsor's workplace, and specifying the actions to be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition (2 CFR § 182.205).

Yes  No  N/A

2. An ongoing drug-free awareness program (2 CFR § 182.215) has been or will be established prior to commencement of project to inform employees about:

- a. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- b. The sponsor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- c. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
- d. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.

Yes  No  N/A

3. Each employee to be engaged in the performance of the work has been or will be given a copy of the statement required within item 1 above prior to commencement of project (2 CFR § 182.210).

Yes  No  N/A

4. Employees have been or will be notified in the statement required by item 1 above that, as a condition employment under the grant (2 CFR § 182.205(c)), the employee will:

a. Abide by the terms of the statement; and

b. Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction.

Yes  No  N/A

5. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will be notified in writing within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under item 4b above from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction (2 CFR § 182.225). Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title of the employee, to the FAA (2 CFR § 182.300).

Yes  No  N/A

6. One of the following actions (2 CFR § 182.225(b)) will be taken within 30 calendar days of receiving a notice under item 4b above with respect to any employee who is so convicted:

a. Take appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; and

b. Require such employee to participate satisfactorily in drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation programs approved for such purposes by a federal, state, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency.

Yes  No  N/A

7. A good faith effort will be made, on a continuous basis, to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of items 1 through 6 above (2 CFR § 182.200).

Yes  No  N/A

**Site(s) of performance of work (2 CFR § 182.230):**

**Location 1**

Name of Location: Aitkin Municipal Airport  
Address: 1190 Air Park Drive, Aitkin, MN 56431

**Location 2 (if applicable)**

Name of Location:  
Address:

**Location 3 (if applicable)**

Name of Location:  
Address:

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## Equipment and Construction Contracts Airport Improvement Sponsor Certification

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**Airport:** Aitkin Municipal/ Steve Kurtz Field Airport

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### Application

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This certification applies to all equipment and construction projects. Equipment projects may or may not employ laborers and mechanics that qualify the project as a “covered contract” under requirements established by the Department of Labor requirements. Sponsor shall provide appropriate responses to the certification statements that reflect the character of the project regardless of whether the contract is for a construction project or an equipment project.

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1. A written code or standard of conduct is or will be in effect prior to commencement of the project that governs the performance of the sponsor’s officers, employees, or agents in soliciting, awarding and administering procurement contracts (2 CFR § 200.318).

Yes  No  N/A

2. For all contracts, qualified and competent personnel are or will be engaged to perform contract administration, engineering supervision, construction inspection, and testing (Grant Assurance C.17).  
 Yes  No  N/A
3. Sponsors that are required to have a Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) program on file with the FAA have included or will include clauses required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and 49 CFR Part 26 for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in all contracts and subcontracts.  
 Yes  No  N/A
4. Sponsors required to have a DBE program on file with the FAA have implemented or will implement monitoring and enforcement measures that:
- a. Ensure work committed to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises at contract award is actually performed by the named DBEs (49 CFR § 26.37(b));
  - b. Include written certification that the sponsor has reviewed contract records and has monitored work sites for performance by DBE firms (49 CFR § 26.37(b)); and
  - c. Provides for a running tally of payments made to DBE firms and a means for comparing actual attainments (i.e. payments) to original commitments (49 CFR § 26.37(c)).
- Yes  No  N/A
5. Sponsor procurement actions using the competitive sealed bid method (2 CFR § 200.320(c)). was or will be:
- a. Publicly advertised, allowing a sufficient response time to solicit an adequate number of interested contractors or vendors;
  - b. Prepared to include a complete, adequate and realistic specification that defines the items or services in sufficient detail to allow prospective bidders to respond;
  - c. Publicly opened at a time and place prescribed in the invitation for bids; and
  - d. Prepared in a manner that result in a firm fixed price contract award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- Yes  No  N/A
6. For projects the Sponsor proposes to use the competitive proposal procurement method (2 CFR § 200.320(d)), Sponsor has requested or will request FAA approval prior to proceeding with a competitive proposal procurement by submitting to the FAA the following:
- a. Written justification that supports use of competitive proposal method in lieu of the preferred sealed bid procurement method;
  - b. Plan for publicizing and soliciting an adequate number of qualified sources; and
  - c. Listing of evaluation factors along with relative importance of the factors.
- Yes  No  N/A
7. For construction and equipment installation projects, the bid solicitation includes or will include the current federal wage rate schedule(s) for the appropriate type of work classifications (2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II).  
 Yes  No  N/A

8. Concurrence was or will be obtained from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) prior to contract award under any of the following circumstances (Order 5100.38D):

- a. Only one qualified person/firm submits a responsive bid;
- b. Award is to be made to other than the lowest responsible bidder; and
- c. Life cycle costing is a factor in selecting the lowest responsive bidder.

Yes  No  N/A

9. All construction and equipment installation contracts contain or will contain provisions for:

- a. Access to Records (§ 200.336)
- b. Buy American Preferences (Title 49 U.S.C. § 50101)
- c. Civil Rights - General Provisions and Title VI Assurances( 41 CFR part60)
- d. Federal Fair Labor Standards (29 U.S.C. § 201, etseq)
- e. Occupational Safety and Health Act requirements (20 CFR part1920)
- f. Seismic Safety – building construction (49 CFR part41)
- g. State Energy Conservation Requirements - as applicable(2 CFR part 200, Appendix II)
- h. U.S. Trade Restriction (49 CFR part 30)
- i. Veterans Preference (49 USC § 47112(c))

Yes  No  N/A

10. All construction and equipment installation contracts exceeding \$2,000 contain or will contain the provisions established by:

- a. Davis-Bacon and Related Acts (29 CFR part5)
- b. Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (29 CFR parts 3 and 5)

Yes  No  N/A

11. All construction and equipment installation contracts exceeding \$3,000 contain or will contain a contract provision that discourages distracted driving (E.O. 13513).

Yes  No  N/A

12. All contracts exceeding \$10,000 contain or will contain the following provisions as applicable:

- a. Construction and equipment installation projects - Applicable clauses from 41 CFR Part 60 for compliance with Executive Orders 11246 and 11375 on Equal Employment Opportunity;
- b. Construction and equipment installation - Contract Clause prohibiting segregated facilities in accordance with 41 CFR part 60-1.8;
- c. Requirement to maximize use of products containing recovered materials in accordance with 2 CFR § 200.322 and 40 CFR part 247; and
- d. Provisions that address termination for cause and termination for convenience (2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II).

Yes  No  N/A

13. All contracts and subcontracts exceeding \$25,000: Measures are in place or will be in place (e.g. checking the System for Award Management) that ensure contracts and subcontracts are not awarded to individuals or firms suspended, debarred, or excluded from participating in federally assisted projects (2 CFR parts 180 and 1200).

Yes  No  N/A

14. Contracts exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold (currently \$150,000) include or will include provisions, as applicable, that address the following:

- a. Construction and equipment installation contracts - a bid guarantee of 5%, a performance bond of 100%, and a payment bond of 100% (2 CFR §200.325);
- b. Construction and equipment installation contracts - requirements of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 3701-3708, Sections 103 and 107);
- c. Restrictions on Lobbying and Influencing (2 CFR part 200, Appendix II);
- d. Conditions specifying administrative, contractual and legal remedies for instances where contractor or vendor violate or breach the terms and conditions of the contract (2 CFR §200, Appendix II); and
- e. All Contracts - Applicable standards and requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 USC 7401-7671q), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1251-1387, and Executive Order 11738.

Yes  No  N/A

Attach documentation clarifying any above item marked with "No" response

### Sponsor's Certification

I certify, for the project identified herein, responses to the forgoing items are accurate as marked and additional documentation for any item marked "no" is correct and complete.

August 26, 2024

Name of Sponsor:

Name of Sponsor's Authorized Official: Jennifer Thompson

Title of Sponsor's Authorized Official: City Administrator

Signature of Sponsor's Authorized Official: Jennifer Thompson  
Jennifer Thompson (Aug 26, 2024 15:11 CDT)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. I understand that knowingly and willfully providing false information to the federal government is a violation of 18 USC § 1001 (False Statements) and could subject me to fines, imprisonment, or both.

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## Project Plans and Specifications

### Airport Improvement Program Sponsor Certification

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**Sponsor:** City of Aitkin

**Airport:** Aitkin Municipal/ Steve Kurtz Field Airport

**Project Number:** 3-27-0002-025-2024

**Description of Work:** Reconstruct Runway Visual Guidance System 16/34 - PAPIs, Reconstruct Runway  
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#### Application

49 USC § 47105(d) authorizes the Secretary to require certification from the sponsor that it will comply with the statutory and administrative requirements in carrying out a project under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). Labor and civil rights standards applicable to AIP are established by the Department of Labor ([www.dol.gov/](http://www.dol.gov/)). AIP Grant Assurance C.1—General Federal Requirements identifies applicable federal laws, regulations, executive orders, policies, guidelines and requirements for assistance under AIP. A list of current advisory circulars with specific standards for procurement, design or construction of airports, and installation of equipment and facilities is referenced in standard airport sponsor Grant Assurance 34 contained in the grant agreement.

#### Certification Statements

Except for certification statements below marked as not applicable (N/A), this list includes major requirements of the construction project. Selecting “Yes” represents sponsor acknowledgement and confirmation of the certification statement. The term “will” means Sponsor action taken at appropriate time based on the certification statement focus area, but no later than the end of the project period of performance. This list is not comprehensive and does not relieve the sponsor from fully complying with all applicable statutory and administrative standards. The source of the requirement is referenced within parenthesis.

1. The plans and specifications were or will be prepared in accordance with applicable federal standards and requirements, so that no deviation or modification to standards set forth in the advisory circulars, or FAA-accepted state standard, is necessary other than those explicitly approved by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) (14 USC § 47105).

Yes  No  N/A

2. Specifications incorporate or will incorporate a clear and accurate description of the technical requirement for the material or product that does not contain limiting or proprietary features that unduly restrict competition (2 CFR §200.319).

Yes  No  N/A

3. The development that is included or will be included in the plans is depicted on the current airport layout plan as approved by the FAA (14 USC § 47107).  
 Yes  No  N/A
4. Development and features that are ineligible or unallowable for AIP funding have been or will be omitted from the plans and specifications (FAA Order 5100.38, par. 3-43).  
 Yes  No  N/A
5. The specification does not use or will not use "brand name" or equal to convey requirements unless sponsor requests and receives approval from the FAA to use brand name (FAA Order 5100.38, Table U-5).  
 Yes  No  N/A
6. The specification does not impose or will not impose geographical preference in their procurement requirements (2 CFR §200.319(b) and FAA Order 5100.38, Table U-5).  
 Yes  No  N/A
7. The use of prequalified lists of individuals, firms or products include or will include sufficient qualified sources that ensure open and free competition and that does not preclude potential entities from qualifying during the solicitation period (2 CFR §319(d)).  
 Yes  No  N/A
8. Solicitations with bid alternates include or will include explicit information that establish a basis for award of contract that is free of arbitrary decisions by the sponsor (2 CFR § 200.319(a)(7)).  
 Yes  No  N/A
9. Concurrence was or will be obtained from the FAA if Sponsor incorporates a value engineering clause into the contract (FAA Order 5100.38, par. 3-57).  
 Yes  No  N/A
10. The plans and specifications incorporate or will incorporate applicable requirements and recommendations set forth in the federally approved environmental finding (49 USC §47106(c)).  
 Yes  No  N/A
11. The design of all buildings comply or will comply with the seismic design requirements of 49 CFR § 41.120. (FAA Order 5100.38d, par. 3-92)  
 Yes  No  N/A
12. The project specification include or will include process control and acceptance tests required for the project by as per the applicable standard:
  - a. Construction and installation as contained in Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5370-10.  
 Yes  No  N/A

b. Snow Removal Equipment as contained in AC 150/5220-20.

Yes  No  N/A

c. Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) vehicles as contained in AC 150/5220-10.

Yes  No  N/A

13. For construction activities within or near aircraft operational areas(AOA):

a. The Sponsor has or will prepare a construction safety and phasing plan (CSPP) conforming to Advisory Circular 150/5370-2.

b. Compliance with CSPP safety provisions has been or will be incorporated into the plans and specifications as a contractor requirement.

c. Sponsor will not initiate work until receiving FAA's concurrence with the CSPP (FAA Order 5100.38, Par. 5-29).

Yes  No  N/A

14. The project was or will be physically completed without federal participation in costs due to errors and omissions in the plans and specifications that were foreseeable at the time of project design (49 USC §47110(b)(1) and FAA Order 5100.38d, par. 3-100).

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