



## Commission Meeting

May 7, 2024

Augusta Regional Airport

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| <b>Department:</b> | Augusta Regional Airport – Construct Taxiway (Apron) G, Change Order No. 1  |
| <b>Presenter:</b>  | Herbert Judon   |
| <b>Caption:</b>    | Motion to <b>approve</b> Change Order No. 1 to contract with Independence Excavating in the amount of \$291,001.25. Approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission on March 28, 2024 (23BFA254).( <b>Approved by Public Services Committee April 30, 2024</b> )  |
| <b>Background:</b> | <p>Independence Excavating Inc. is currently contracted to construct the Taxiway (Apron) G project.</p> <p>This requested Change Order No. 1 includes the costs associated with additional earthwork and utility work outside of the original contract along with costs associated with the selected bid alternative (concrete shoulders). In addition to the costs included within this Change Order are savings related to items already completed within the project or removed from the project.</p> <p>When bidding the project, several alternate options were provided to prospective contractors. This was done to try and maximize potential funding opportunities. The selected contractor, Independence Excavating, was the responsive and overall low bidder. The bid option selected was a concrete taxiway with concrete shoulders. Because of the general environment surrounding concrete prices, it was not known whether or not this option would produce the most fiscally responsible option, therefore, a fully designed jointing plan was not provided in the bid documents. In order to construct the concrete shoulders, additional steel is required resulting in a slightly higher unit price for construction.</p> |
| <b>Analysis:</b>   | <p>Along with the costs associated with additional steel, there were two other general items which resulted in additional work and costs which included additional earthwork required not quantified in the original project. Also, unbeknownst to Staff, the FAA had installed new cable within the project area that had to be lowered and placed in conduit resulting in additional costs.</p> <p>The savings reflected in this Change Order #1 are due to as-constructed quantities and/or items removed from the scope of the project (Temporary Displaced Threshold).</p> <p>The overall costs included within this Change Order request are mostly reflective of the additional steel required for the concrete shoulder option.</p>   |

With this change order, the original bid is still less than the other response bids received and is representative of work that has to be completed.

Staff has evaluated the change order request provided by Independence Excavating, Inc. and finds that the costs associated with the new line items are acceptable and are within the unit prices provided as part of the original contract.

**Financial Impact:** This Change Order will result in an increase of \$291,001.25 to the contract.

**Alternatives:** To deny.

**Recommendation:** Recommend Approval. Approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission on March 28, 2024.

**Funds are available in the following accounts:** 551081305-5412110

**REVIEWED AND** N/A  
**APPROVED BY:**