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Meeting Date: 08/12/25

Augusta Regional Airport (AGS)

Construct Drainage Ditch – Phase II Contract – Reeves Construction 25-150

Department: Augusta Regional Airport (AGS)

Presenter: Herbert L. Judon, Jr., Airport Executive Director

Caption: Motion to approve a Construction Contract to Reeves Construction

Company in the amount of \$5,285,229.60 to perform all tasks related to the Project. Recommendation of award approved by Commission on June 17,

2025 as item #5 (ITB 25-150).

Background:

The scope of this Project is to enclose the existing east-west drainage ditch just south of the end of Runway 17-35. The project is a continuation, Phase II, of a project completed in 2020 which enclosed the previously existing north-south ditch just east of Runway 17-35 that fed into the existing east-west ditch. The Phase II Ditch is approximately 30 feet deep and extends across the Runway 17-35 Southern End, East to West and perpendicular to Runway 17-35, for approximately 1,000 linear feet.

Because of the location of the east-west ditch, there are major concerns to the condition of the Runway 17-35 Safety Area (RSA) and Object Free Area (ROFA). The headwalls on either side of Runway 17-35 continue to erode encroaching upon the RSA causing major concern for the Airport's operations. Additionally, Operations have had difficulty securing the Airfield, with the ditch providing easy access for wildlife to enter the active operations area. The purpose of this Project is to enclose approximately 300' of ditch west of Runway 17-35's south end and 700' east of Runway 17-35's south end within a storm sewer system, thus allowing Airport operations to secure the airfield. This ditch also causes difficulty in accessing portions of the Airfield, as operations staff must drive several thousand feet to the south to access the east or west side of the airfield. Enclosure of this Ditch will also improve the Runway Protection Zone (RPZ) for Aircraft.

The base bid of the project includes but is not limited to Mobilization, Airfield Safety and Traffic Control, Erosion Control, the removal of approximately 570 linear feet of storm pipe, the construction of

approximately 1,600 linear feet of new storm pipe and associated structures (inlets, headwalls, etc.), along with excavation, topsoiling, and seeding. The majority of this project exists to the west of the phase I ditch enclosure project.

The bid alternate includes but is not limited to, Mobilization, Airfield Safety and Traffic Control, Erosion Control, the removal of approximately 75 linear feet of storm pipe, the construction of approximately 900 linear feet of new storm pipe and associated structures (inlets, headwalls, etc.), along with excavation, topsoiling, and seeding.

The Cost of Construction for the Drainage Ditch Enclosure Phase II is \$5,285,229.60.

In the May 29, 2025, Aviation Commission Meeting, Airport Staff recommended Award for the project to Reeves Construction.

Analysis:

It is hereby requested that the Aviation Commission approve this Contract, allowing Augusta Regional Airport to award the contract to **Reeves Construction Co.** in the amount of \$5,285,229.60 for Phase II of the Drainage Ditch Enclosure.

This Contract has been reviewed by Airport Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Kerr.

Financial Impact:

This contract is proposed to be funded through a Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Aviation Grant in the amount of \$2,477,925.33 in FY 2024 and \$2,807,309.33 in FY 2025. GDOT plans to participate via their standard match of 75% resulting in AGS Enterprise Funds providing the remaining 25%.

Alternatives: N/A

Recommendation: Approve a **Construction Contract** to Reeves Construction Company in the

amount of \$5,285,229.60 to perform all tasks related to the Project.

Funds are available in the following accounts:

551081305-5412110

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

N/A