

Commission Meeting

November 7, 2023

Daniel Field Airport DBE Plan FY24-26

Department: Daniel Field Airport

Presenter: Becky Shealy

Motion to approve Daniel Field Airport DBE Plan FY24-26 to include **Caption:**

Mayor Johnson signing the policy statement. (Approved by Public Services

Committee October 31, 2023)

Background: Augusta Georgia, (Sponsor) owner of the Daniel Field Airport, has

established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The Sponsor has received Federal financial assistance from the Federal Aviation Administration and is anticipating awarding prime contracts in excess of \$250,000.00 during the fiscal year period 24-26 and, as a condition of receiving this assistance, has signed an assurance that will comply with 49 CFR Part 26. It is the responsibility of the Sponsor to ensure that DBEs, as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. Policy also requires: 1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts; 2. To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT assisted contracts; 3. To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law; 4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate in DBEs; 5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts, and 6. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program. 7. To provide appropriate flexibility to recipients of Federal financial assistance in establishing and providing opportunities for DBEs and 8. To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally assisted contract and procurement activities.

Analysis:

Financial Impact: Augusta, Georgia, owner and sponsor of Danel Field Airport, in accordance

> with 49 CFR Part 26, completed a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Plan, Policy and Goal Methodology for projects planned for Federal Fiscal Years 2024-2026. For FY2024, the project DBE goal is 8.19%. For FY2025, the project DBE goal is 8.02%. For FY2026, the project DBE goal is 7.23%. Since these projects are planned for federal funding, Local Small Business Opportunities Program goals are not expected.

Alternatives: Daniel Field Airport as a recipient of federal funds for capital improvements,

is required to establish a DBE Plan and Program, and update its Goal

Methodology at least every three years. There are no reasonable alternatives

to complying with these federal requirements.

Recommendation: The Daniel Field General Aviation Commission (DNL GAC) recommends

approval of the Daniel Field Airport FY2024-2026 DBE Plan, Policy and

Goal Methodology and submittal to FAA.

Funds are available in the following accounts:

\$14,485.98

This project will be funded by the Daniel Field Airport enterprise fund and

reimbursed at 95% in an upcoming FAA grant. Reimbursement will be

\$13,761.68.

Funding source: 552081101

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY: