



Commission Meeting

February 20, 2024

Augusta Regional Airport

Department:	Augusta Regional Airport – FAA Reimbursable Agreement Masters 2024
Presenter:	Herbert Judon
Caption:	Motion to approve FAA Reimbursable Agreement Masters 2024. Approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission on January 25, 2024. (Approved by Public Services Committee February 13, 2024).
Background:	FAA controllers provide expanded air traffic services at Augusta Regional Airport to support the annual Masters® Golf Tournament aircraft traffic workload. To provide expanded services, FAA controllers from other locations are dispatched to Augusta. FAA regulations require event Sponsor, Augusta Regional Airport, to pay the controller’s travel, per diem, and overtime. FAA requires advance payment for services.
Analysis:	The agreement is generated based upon the local Air Traffic Control (ATC) Manager’s staffing and resource recommendations. Due to local ATC controller staffing shortages, additional controllers are needed to support AGS’s operations to ensure a safe, and efficient event. This agreement also includes the cost to backfill augment controller’s positions at their base airport. The FAA’s reimbursable agreement is the maximum estimate allowed; the FAA has never expended all the funds.
Financial Impact:	Since 2019, the FAA reimbursable agreement cost estimates have increased each year by forty percent. The total cost estimate for the Masters 2024 Reimbursable agreement is \$169,647.09, however proceeds from the previous agreement (\$113,686.91) will be applied to this year’s agreement for a total estimated cost of \$55,960.18.
Alternatives:	To deny.
Recommendation:	Recommend Approval. Approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission on January 25, 2024.
Funds are available in the following accounts:	551081106-5311115
<u>REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:</u>	N/A