

RESOLUTION 22-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE OF GEORGIA FOR THE DALTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,250,000 IN SUPPORT OF HANGAR DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, the Dalton Municipal Airport is a resource of critical importance to not only the economic health of the City of Dalton, Whitfield and Murray Counties, but to the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the Airport is strategically located in Dalton, Georgia and delivers \$7.8M in annual economic impact to the State of Georgia's economy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dalton has consistently invested capital to improve and maintain the Dalton Municipal Airport since its acquisition in 1960; and

WHEREAS, it has become increasingly difficult for the Dalton Municipal Airport to maintain operational self-sufficiency from revenues generated by the current hangar capacity of the airfield; and

WHEREAS, Dalton Municipal Airport has a high demand and extensive waiting list for aircraft hangars; and

WHEREAS, it has become unreasonably difficult to secure Federal funding for hangar development projects; and

WHEREAS, it has become exceedingly difficult for the City of Dalton to shoulder the full financial burden of large investment projects like hangar development; and

WHEREAS, hangar development is a critical need of the Airport which will enable the airport to maintain operational self-sufficiency by generating lease and fuel sale revenue as well as increasing based aircraft numbers; and

WHEREAS, an increase in hangar capacity directly results in an increase in based aircraft, based corporate flight departments, fuel sales, and ad-valorem tax revenues which together represent a significant positive economic impact to the State economy; and

WHEREAS, the proposed hangar development is outlined in the Airport Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2024-28.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the City of Dalton Georgia respectfully request financial assistance from the State of Georgia in the amount of \$2,250,000 for hangar development at the Dalton Municipal Airport. The City

Administrator is hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents that are consistent with the scope and obligation approved in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a fully executed copy of this resolution be delivered to each member of the Georgia General Assembly who represents a portion of the City of Dalton or Whitfield County.

This _____ of ____, 20__.

CITY OF DALTON

BY:

David Pennington, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bernadette Chattam, City Clerk