

RESOLUTION NO. 111-25

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONTINUED  
COMMERCIAL AIR SERVICE  
AT THE DUBUQUE REGIONAL AIRPORT

WHEREAS, the Dubuque Regional Airport stands as a crucial transportation asset for the tri-state area, serving residents, businesses, educational institutions, and visitors across northeast Iowa, southwest Wisconsin, and northwest Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, having scheduled commercial air service is a key requirement for federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), utilizing entitlement and discretionary grants; and,

WHEREAS, Dubuque Regional Airport is currently undertaking a multi-phase Taxiway Alpha reconstruction project estimated at \$40 million over five years (2024–2028), with 90% of funding (\$36 million) expected from FAA AIP sources and 10% (\$4 million) from local matching funds; and,

WHEREAS, the potential loss of commercial air service is not just a concern, but a looming threat that would not only jeopardize Dubuque's eligibility for guaranteed federal entitlement and discretionary funding but also put airport operations, safety, and regional economic growth at risk; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Dubuque is actively working on federal and local strategies to maintain commercial air service; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersville recognizes the importance of commercial air service in Dubuque to our community's quality of life, business environment, tourism, and access to national markets; and,

WHEREAS, without regular commercial flights at the Dubuque Regional Airport, Dyersville would find it difficult to host international and national special events because guests would need to drive from airports over an hour away; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DYERSVILLE, IOWA:

Section 1. The Dyersville City Council fully supports the City of Dubuque's ongoing efforts to retain and expand commercial air service at the Dubuque Regional Airport.

Section 2. The Dyersville City Council authorizes the Mayor and City Administrator to work with the City of Dubuque and other regional partners to promote and aid these efforts.

Section 3. The Dyersville City Council urges other local jurisdictions, Dubuque and Delaware Counties, and the State of Iowa to partner with the City of Dubuque to seek viable solutions for maintaining commercial air service at the Dubuque Regional Airport. This collaborative effort could not only ensure the airport's future but also pave the way for enhanced regional connectivity and economic growth.

Passed and approved this 6th day of October 2025.

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Jeff Jacque, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tricia L. Maiers, City Clerk