

ORDINANCE NO. 189, 2025
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
ADOPTING THE 2026 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING THE FORT COLLINS SHARE
OF THE 2026 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS
FOR THE NORTHERN COLORADO REGIONAL AIRPORT

A. In 1963, the City of Fort Collins and the City of Loveland (the “Cities”) agreed to establish a regional general aviation facility and became owners and operators of the Fort Collins-Loveland Municipal Airport, now known as the Northern Colorado Regional Airport (the “Airport”).

B. The Airport is operated as a joint venture between the Cities, with each city retaining 50% ownership interest, sharing equally in policy-making and management, and each assuming responsibility for 50% of the Airport’s capital and operating costs.

C. Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement for the Joint Operation of the Airport dated January 22, 2015, and the First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement for the Joint Operation of the Airport dated June 7, 2016, (collectively, the “IGA”), the Airport Manager is responsible for preparing the Airport’s annual operating budget and submitting it to the Cities for their approval.

D. Under the IGA, the City’s share of existing and unanticipated Airport revenue is to be held and disbursed by the City of Loveland as an agent on behalf of the Cities, since the City of Loveland provides finance and accounting services for the Airport.

E. The Airport Manager has submitted for City Council consideration a 2026 Airport operating budget totaling \$2,226,496 of which the City’s 50% share is \$1,113,248.

F. Pursuant to the IGA, the City of Loveland holds on behalf of both Cities the revenues of, and other financial contributions to, the Airport in a fund, which includes unappropriated and unencumbered reserves (the “Airport Fund”).

G. Funding for the Airport’s 2026 operating budget has been identified as follows:

Airport Revenues	\$2,217,263
Airport Reserves	<u>9,233</u>
Total	\$2,226,496

H. The City’s 50% share of the 2026 Airport operating costs, to be held in the Airport Fund, is \$1,113,248.

I. The Airport Reserves item is an appropriation for use by the Northern Colorado Regional Airport Commission for discretionary Airport projects.

J. City Finance staff has reviewed the financial statements for the Airport and determined that the requested appropriation of Airport Reserves in the 2026 Airport Budget meets the required limits set forth in the IGA.

K. This appropriation benefits the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purpose of enhancing transportation and economic welfare of the City and its residents.

L. This appropriation will not require additional funding from the Cities and is consistent with the IGA.

In light of the foregoing recitals, which the Council hereby makes and adopts as determinations and findings, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby approves and adopts the 2026 Airport operating budget totaling \$2,226,496, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The City Council hereby appropriates in the Airport Fund \$1,113,248 to be expended to defray the City's 50% share of the 2026 operating costs of the Airport.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading on November 18, 2025, and approved on second reading for final passage on December 2, 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Effective Date: December 12, 2025
Approving Attorney: Dianne Criswell

Exhibit: Exhibit A – 2026 Northern Colorado Regional Airport Budget