



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: March 9th, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: Consider approving an agreement with SEH for the SRE Acquisition at the Grand Rapids / Itasca County Airport

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BACKGROUND:

The GPZ airport currently operates several large pieces of Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) to keep the airport operational. One of the main pieces is a John Deere front end loader that began having engine issues in 2025. Staff were able to utilize the equipment this past winter season, but it needs to have the engine rebuilt to remain functional. In lieu of replacing the engine, airport staff submitted a request to the FAA for full replacement of this SRE and it was approved. The attached proposal covers spec development, bidding, equipment acquisition and grant administration to meet the FAA requirements.

The project will be funded on a 95% Federal, 2.5% State and 2.5% Local share. Due to the emergency nature of the replacement, this project was not budgeted for 2026. It will be funded with Airport Fund Balance. This SRE was purchased in 2008 with federal funds and was originally on the CIP for 2030.

Total City responsibility is \$192.50

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion approving an agreement with SEH for the SRE acquisition at the Grand Rapids / Itasca County Airport and authorize necessary signatures