

**RESOLUTION PETITIONING
THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION
FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT AID
BY**

**Watertown City Council
Jefferson County, Wisconsin**

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, Wisconsin hereinafter referred to as the sponsor, being a municipal body corporate of the State of Wisconsin, is authorized by Wis. Stat. §114.11, to acquire, establish, construct, own, control, lease, equip, improve, maintain, and operate an airport; and,

WHEREAS, the sponsor desires to develop or improve the Watertown Municipal Airport, Jefferson County, Wisconsin; and,

PETITION FOR AIRPORT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the foregoing proposal for airport improvements has been referred to the city plan commission for its consideration and report prior to council action as required by Wis. Stat. §62.23(5); and,

WHEREAS, airport users have been consulted in formulation of the improvements included in this resolution; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held prior to the adoption of this petition in accordance with Wis. Stat. §114.33(2) as amended, and a transcript of the hearing is transmitted with this petition.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the sponsor that a petition for federal and (or) state aid in the following form is hereby approved.

The petitioner, desiring to sponsor an airport development project with federal and state aid or state aid only, in accordance with the applicable state and federal laws, respectfully represents and states:

1. That the airport, which it is desired to develop, should generally conform to the requirements for a General Aviation type airport as defined by the Federal Aviation Administration.
2. The character, extent, and kind of improvements desired under the project are as follows: Reconstruct Runway 05/23 with all new airfield lighting, reconstruct parallel taxiway including lighting & runup pad including land acquisition for approaches; Reconstruct/replace Navigational Aids; Reconstruct/rehabilitate & expand apron; Install new AWOS equipment; Build new T-hangars; Remodel or Build a new terminal building; Reconstruct/rehabilitate 11/29 with all new airfield lights, reconstruct & extend parallel taxiway to the full length of the runway including taxiway lighting; Build two new taxiways off taxiway C for hangar expansion; Replace electrical equipment in electric vault; Install perimeter deer fence; Purchase snow removal equipment; Airfield Pavement Maintenance; clear and maintain runway approaches as stated in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, and any necessary related work.
3. That the airport project, which your petitioner desires to sponsor, is necessary for the following reasons: to meet the existing and future needs of the airport.

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the improvements petitioned for as listed will be funded individually or collectively as funds are available, with specific project costs to be approved as work is authorized, the proportionate cost of the airport development projects described above which are to be paid by the sponsor to the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as the Secretary) to be held in trust for the purposes of the project; any unneeded and unspent balance after the project is completed is to be returned to the sponsor by the Secretary; the sponsor will make available any additional monies that may be found necessary, upon request of the Secretary, to complete the project as described above;

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the Secretary shall have the right to suspend or discontinue the project at any time additional monies are found to be necessary by the Secretary, and the sponsor does not provide the same; in the event the sponsor unilaterally terminates the project, all reasonable federal and state expenditures related to the project shall be paid by the sponsor; and,

WHEREAS, the sponsor is required by Wis. Stat. §114.32(5) to designate the Secretary as its agent to accept, receive, receipt for and disburse any funds granted by the United States under the Federal Airport and Airway Improvement Act, and is authorized by law to designate the Secretary as its agent for other purposes.

DESIGNATION OF SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION AS SPONSOR'S AGENT

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the sponsor that the Secretary is hereby designated as its agent and is requested to agree to act as such, in matters relating to the airport development project described above, and is hereby authorized as its agent to make all arrangements for the development and final acceptance of the completed project whether by contract, agreement, force account or otherwise; and particularly, to accept, receive, receipt for and disburse federal monies or other monies, either public or private, for the acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance and operation of the airport; and, to acquire property or interests in property by purchase, gift, lease, or eminent domain under Wis. Stat. §32 .02; and, to supervise the work of any engineer, appraiser, negotiator, contractor or other person employed by the Secretary; and, to execute any assurances or other documents required or requested by any agency of the federal government and to comply with all federal and state laws, rules, and regulations relating to airport development projects.

FURTHER, the sponsor requests that the Secretary provide, per Wis. Stat. §114.33(8)(a), that the sponsor may acquire certain parts of the required land or interests in land that the Secretary shall find necessary to complete the aforesaid project.

AIRPORT OWNER ASSURANCES

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sponsor agrees to maintain and operate the airport in accordance with certain conditions established in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, or in accordance with sponsor assurances enumerated in a federal grant agreement.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Emily McFarland, Mayor and Mark Stevens, Finance Director/Treasurer be authorized to sign and execute the agency agreement and federal block grant owner assurances authorized by this resolution.

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY: Alderperson. Bob Wetzel
Airport Commission

_____(TITLE)

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CERTIFICATION

I, Megan Dunneisen, Clerk of the City of Watertown, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a resolution introduced at a Common Council meeting of the City of Watertown on January 2, 2024, adopted by a majority vote, and recorded in the minutes of said meeting.

Megan Dunneisen, Clerk

AGENCY AGREEMENT AND FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT OWNER ASSURANCES

Department of Transportation Bureau of Aeronautics Madison, Wisconsin

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, hereinafter referred to as the sponsor, desires to sponsor an airport development project to be constructed with federal aid and/or state aid, specifically, the Watertown Municipal Airport project to:

Reconstruct Runway 05/23 with all new airfield lighting, reconstruct parallel taxiway including lighting & runup pad including land acquisition for approaches; Reconstruct/replace Navigational Aids; Reconstruct/rehabilitate & expand apron; Install new AWOS equipment; Build new T-hangars; Remodel or Build a new terminal building; Reconstruct/rehabilitate 11/29 with all new airfield lights, reconstruct & extend parallel taxiway to the full length of the runway including taxiway lighting; Build two new taxiways off taxiway C for hangar expansion; Replace electrical equipment in electric vault; Install perimeter deer fence; Purchase snow removal equipment; Airfield Pavement Maintenance; clear and maintain runway approaches as stated in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55; and any necessary related work.

WHEREAS, the sponsor adopted a resolution on January 2, 2024, a copy of which is attached and the prescribed terms and conditions of which are fully incorporated into this agreement, designating the Secretary as its agent and requesting the Secretary to act as such as set forth in the resolution, and agreeing to maintain and operate the airport in accordance with certain conditions; and,

AGENCY AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, upon such request, the Secretary is authorized by law to act as agent for the sponsor until financial closing of this project.

NOW THEREFORE, the sponsor and the Secretary do mutually agree that the Secretary shall act as the sponsor's agent in the matter of the airport development as provided by law and as set forth in the referenced resolution; provided, however, that the Secretary is not required to provide legal services to the sponsor.

By: SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

David M. Greene, Director
Bureau of Aeronautics

(Date)

FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT OWNER ASSURANCES

WHEREAS, the sponsor does agree to the conditions established in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, and for projects receiving federal aid, to the attached federal sponsor assurances, which are a condition of a federal grant of funds.

The federal block grant owner assurances shall remain in full force and effect throughout the useful life of the facilities developed under this project, but in any event not to exceed twenty (20) years from the date of the finding (except for land projects, which shall run in perpetuity).

Acceptance: The sponsor does hereby accept the agency agreement and the federal block grant owner assurances.

Sponsor: The City of Watertown, Jefferson County, Wisconsin.

Emily McFarland
Mayor

Mark Stevens
Finance Director/Treasurer

Date

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