

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS**  
**DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION (RCA)**

**DEPARTMENT:** Airport

**AGENDA DATE:** July 25, 2006

**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Patrick T. Abeln-780-4724



**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** 3

**SUBJECT:**

**APPROVE** a resolution That the Director of Aviation be authorized to sign and submit a grant application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and be designated the official representative of the City to act in connection with the application for the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), Project No. 3-48-0077-23-2006; and That upon approval and issuance of the grant by the FAA, the City Manager be authorized to accept and sign the grant agreement, and other necessary documents when the form and substance of those documents has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office; and That the City Manager be authorized to approve and sign any budget transfers needed to establish appropriations in connection with this grant. The total grant amount shall include the federal share of \$9,971,866.00 and the local share of \$13,365,069.00.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

The City of El Paso, as the owner and operator of El Paso International Airport (EPIA), is eligible for federal funding under the Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (AIR-21). The FAA is the administrator of these funds, which are categorized as either Entitlement Funding or Discretionary Funding. Entitlement funding, which this grant application is solely comprised of, is based upon passenger levels and air cargo landing weights.

The Department of Aviation is submitting this multi-year grant application for FY 2006 and FY 2007 for the following projects:

- Reconstruction of Runway 8R-26L and Taxiway "E" – This project will provide for the total reconstruction of El Paso International Airport's (EPIA) 9,025 LF runway, and Taxiway "E", which is 1,460 LF long. The reconstruction of both the runway and taxiway will be accomplished by removing existing asphalt concrete pavement and replacing with either full strength asphalt pavement or Portland cement concrete pavement.
- Environmental Assessment for the Extension of Runway 8R-26L – This project will provide for the environmental assessment needed for the extension of Runway 8R-26L. As denoted within the 2005 Master Plan Update, as submitted by Ricondo & Associates, the extension of Runway 8R-26L by 1,100 feet on the eastern end will allow for the Runway 8R arrival threshold to be located to the east approximately 1,100 feet, alleviating FAR Part 77 surface penetration issues in the area of the terminal ramp and Concourse B gates west of the runway.

The application is comprised of the following breakdown of estimated entitlement funding:

Project	FY 2006	FY 2007	Total
Reconstruction of Runway 8R-26L and Taxiway "E"	\$4,723,433	\$4,723,433	\$9,446,866
Environmental Assessment	\$262,500	\$262,500	\$525,000
	\$4,985,933	\$4,985,933	\$9,971,866

The grant amount will be matched by approximately \$13,365,069 in Airport funds, of which \$13,335,069 will be from the Airport's Passenger Facility Charge program and \$30,000 from the Airport's Enterprise Fund.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one? If so, when?

N/A

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

N/A

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

N/A

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED:**

Approve resolution as noted in Subject section.

**\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\***

**LEGAL:** (if required) Raymond L. Telles  
Raymond L. Telles, Asst. City Attorney

**FINANCE:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER:** Patrick T. Abeln  
Patrick T. Abeln, A.A.E., Director of Aviation

*Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager*

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

**CITY MANAGER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

# RESOLUTION

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

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That upon approval and issuance of the grant by the FAA, the City Manager be authorized to accept and sign the grant agreement, and other necessary documents when the form and substance of those documents has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office; and

That the City Manager be authorized to approve and sign any budget transfers needed to establish appropriations in connection with this grant; and

That the total grant amount shall include the federal share of \$9,971,866.00 and the local share of \$13,365,069.00, and will be utilized for the following projects:

- Reconstruction of Runway 8R-26L and Taxiway "E" – requires the removing of existing asphalt pavement and replacing with either full strength asphalt pavement or Portland cement concrete pavement for both the runway (9,025 LF) and taxiway (1,460 LF).
- Environmental Assessment for the Extension of Runway 8R-26L – is required for the programmed extension of Runway 8R-26L extension by 1,100 feet to the east.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2006.

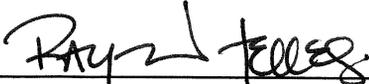
CITY OF EL PASO

ATTEST:

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John F. Cook, Mayor

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Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Raymond L. Telles  
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

  
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Patrick T. Abeln, A.A.E.  
Director of Aviation