



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**In Control:** Airport Advisory Commission Meeting

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**DEPARTMENT:** Aviation Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Jesus H. Saenz Jr.

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Grants Program and Government Affairs Update

**SUMMARY:**

Aviation Department Grants Manager Melissa Rivers will provide the Airport Advisory Commission with an overview regarding the department's Grants Program Strategy for leveraging federal funding for capital projects and other programs for the San Antonio Airport System. This presentation will also identify the projects the City is seeking federal monies for FY 2026.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The City coordinates with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for the planning and development of projects for airports included in the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems. Annually, this process has led to grant funding through the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) for projects that are included in the airport's Airport Capital

Improvement Program for improvement projects to enhance airport safety, capacity, security, and environmental concerns. The FAA portion of the grant covers 75% of eligible costs with the airport responsible for the remaining 25%. Over the City has also received funding under the FAA's Airport Improvement Grant program and Airport Terminal Program approved under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). FY 2026 will be the last year for airports to seek funding under the BIL.

All projects receiving federal funding must be solicited under the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program and meet other standard FAA grant requirements.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

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**ALTERNATIVES:**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

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