



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

### File Number:

**POSTING LANGUAGE:** Ordinance approving the negotiation and execution of four Reimbursable Agreements and the execution of one Memorandum of Understanding with the Federal Aviation Administration in an amount up to \$572,696.16 in support of the Capital Improvement Program at the San Antonio International Airport. Funding is from the Airport Interim Financing and included in the FY 2025 Capital Budget. [Jeff Coyle, Assistant City Manager; Jesus Saenz, Director, Aviation]

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**DEPARTMENT:** Aviation Department

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

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

### SUMMARY:

The Aviation Department routinely coordinates with the FAA on upcoming and future capital development projects at the San Antonio International Airport (SAT) to identify any potential impacts to FAA facilities, which would require the City to follow 49 U.S. Code Section 106(1)(6) and utilize FAA engineering services to meet FAA standards to ensure FAA operations are not impaired. When the potential impacts to FAA facilities are known, the FAA develops RAs for each service area affected.

These RAs will provide prepayment for FAA services to include engineering, design, and construction services related to the impact of the TDP, ASEIP and New Parking Structure & Ground Transportation Center at SAT.

The MOU will provide the procedures, guidelines, and roles necessary to issue the solicitation of services to support the FAAs preparation of the EIS for the ASEIP. The EIS and any related documents will comply with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

(NEPA), US Department of Transportation (DOT), and FAA environmental regulations and guidance, as well as all applicable local, State and Federal laws, as appropriate.

This ordinance approves the negotiation and execution of four RAs and the execution of one MOU with the FAA in an amount up to \$572,696.16 in support of the Airport's Capital Improvement Program at SAT.

#### **ATCT Line-of-Sight Study for the TDP and ASEIP**

The current ATCT at SAT is an FAA owned and maintained facility and will continue under FAA ownership and maintenance. The purpose of this RA is to support and complete the line-of-sight study to include FAA site visits, cost estimates and a Memo of Record documenting the result of the study. The study is to evaluate the new terminal and future airfield configuration from the viewpoint of the ATCT. This RA is in an amount not to exceed \$103,464, with funding available in the TDP and ASEIP projects.

#### **Limited Infrastructure and Utility Design for the New Parking Structure & GTC**

This agreement provides funding for FAA services required to perform limited technical and/or engineering support, design, and implementation services to support the establishment of the New Parking Structure & GTC. Scope includes technical consultation, site visits, development of FAA design packages, and other support required to address impacted FAA National Airspace System (NAS) facilities. This RA is in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, with funding available in the New Parking Structure and GTC project.

#### **Conduit Installation supporting SAT's ALS for the ASEIP**

The ASEIP will impact NAS facilities including the Runway 13R ALS, cabling, and infrastructure in the vicinity of U.S. Highway 281 and San Pedro Avenue. As part of this agreement, the FAA will provide engineering, construction, and installation support as well as a technical on-site representative during conduit installation. This RA is in an amount not to exceed \$269,232.16, with funding available in the ASEIP project.

#### **Airfield Modernization Project impacting ELD for the ASEIP**

As part of this agreement, the FAA will develop an updated ELD preliminary design and participate in the ASEIP design development process to ensure accordance to FAA Orders and Specifications. The preliminary FAA ELD design will be handed over to the City for inclusion in their construction plans and specifications for the ASEIP. Additionally, ASEIP construction activities will require ELD identification and protection to prevent a loss of service to the NAS. This RA provides funding for the FAA to establish the design phase services in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, with funding available in the ASEIP project.

#### **MOU to Prepare an EIS for the ASEIP**

The FAA has determined the ASEIP requires an EIS due to the Program's complexity. The MOU provides the framework in which the FAA will prepare an EIS for the proposed ASEIP, describing the relationship between the FAA and City of San Antonio. Its purpose is to establish an understanding regarding the responsibilities, conditions and procedures to be followed in the development and preparation of the EIS. Upon completion, the FAA will determine whether to proceed with the proposed project and document the decision in a Record of Decision. No funding is required.

These agreements are required by the FAA for the new Terminal Development Program and airfield.

This ordinance also authorizes the Aviation Director to execute final FAA Agreements.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This ordinance approves the negotiation of four Reimbursable Agreements and the execution of one Memorandum of Understanding with the FAA in an amount up to \$572,696.16 in support of the Airport's Capital Improvement Program at SAT. This ordinance also authorizes the Aviation Director to execute the final FAA Agreements. Funding is available through Airport Interim Financing and included in the FY 2025 Capital Budget.