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June 9, 2008

**..Title**

Pre-approve the acceptance of an anticipated US Department of Transportation FAA - AIP Grant for Phase I of a FAR Part 150 Noise Study (B)

This item seeks City of Gainesville pre-approved acceptance of a 2008 US Department of Transportation FAA - AIP Grant to the Gainesville Regional Airport for only Phase I of an FAR Part 150 Noise Study at the Gainesville Regional Airport.

**..Explanation**

It is anticipated that the US Department of Transportation will make a grant offer to the Gainesville Regional Airport for Phase I and Phase II of an FAR Part 150 Study at the Gainesville Regional Airport in June, 2008.

This Grant Offer will consist of fiscal year 2008 discretionary and entitlement funds from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) administered by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

Because the City of Gainesville retains title to the land upon which Gainesville Regional Airport operates, the City of Gainesville, in addition to GACRAA, must formally accept all federal grant offers. Although the Gainesville Alachua County Regional Airport Authority (GACRAA) has not yet executed a Resolution regarding this matter, it is anticipated that this may occur at a Special Meeting in early June. In addition, GACRAA, via prior action approving a contract with its consultant to complete the Phase I, did anticipate receiving the grant funding. Currently, the project is moving forward through the provision of borrowed funds.

The City Attorney's Office has noted that there are concerns regarding the fact that the Gumroot Swamp Park property continues to be listed upon the FAA approved Airport Layout Map. City staff has suggested to Airport staff that the subject property should be removed from the map in order to avoid any future restriction on the use of the land by the FAA to the disadvantage of the City.

**..Fiscal Note**

This US Department of Transportation FAA – AIP anticipated Grant is in the amount of \$322,980 with proceeds for Phase I and Phase II of the FAR Part 150 Study to be offered to the Gainesville Regional Airport.

**Recommendation**

The City Commission: 1) hear a brief presentation from staff regarding this request; 2) direct City staff to contact FAA staff directly about removing the Gumroot Swamp Park property from the FAA approved map; and 3) adopt the proposed 2008 FAA – AIP Grant Resolution and authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to execute said Grant Agreement and the City Clerk to certify said Grant Agreement.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 080036**

**PASSED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**A Resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida, to pre-approve the acceptance of an FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant from the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, and authorizing execution by the Mayor and Clerk of the Commission on behalf of the City of Gainesville; and providing an immediate effective date.**

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) will make a grant offer for funding 95% of eligible costs associated with Phase I and Phase II of an FAR Part 150 Noise Study at the Gainesville Regional Airport; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is further anticipated that the Grant Offer will consist of fiscal year 2008 entitlement funds from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) administered by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in the maximum amount of \$332,980.00; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority did anticipate receiving FAA funds for the project, and did approve Resolution 07-021 Authorizing a contract with it's consultant, Reynolds, Smith and Hills, inc. to complete Phase I of the FAR Part 150 Noise Study, which is now being completed,

**WHEREAS**, the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority did unanimously approve an application for FAA funds covering 95% of the eligible project costs at its regular meeting on April 24, 2008,

**WHEREAS**, both the City of Gainesville and the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority (GACRAA) must accept the Grant Offer; and,

**WHEREAS**, the staff of the Gainesville Regional Airport has requested that the City of Gainesville approve said Grant Offer as co-sponsor with GACRAA;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.** The City of Gainesville shall enter into a Grant Agreement along with GACRAA, for the purpose of obtaining Federal funding in the Phase I of a FAR Part 150 Noise Study for the Gainesville Regional Airport under the forthcoming Grant Agreement that is to be implemented, and operated by the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority in accordance with Chapter 2006-2-363, Laws of Florida.

**Section 2.** The City of Gainesville does hereby ratify and adopt all statements, representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in the FAA Grant Agreement as to the Phase I Study and incorporated material referred to in the said Grant Agreement, and by such acceptance, and in reliance upon the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority's Chief Executive Officer assurances that the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority agrees to abide by all the terms and conditions of said Grant Agreement, does agree to all terms and conditions thereof as to the Phase I Study.

**Section 3.** That Pegeen Hanrahan, Mayor, is hereby authorized and directed to pre-approve said Grant Agreement, on behalf of the City of Gainesville and Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission, is hereby authorized and directed to impress the official seal of the City of Gainesville and to attest to said execution.

**Section 4.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Passed and adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008

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PEGEEN HANRAHAN  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Approved as to form and legality:

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KURT M. LANNON  
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

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MARION J. RADSON  
CITY ATTORNEY