

RESOLUTION NO. 05-06

WHEREAS, the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority (the "Authority") and Smith Field Air Service, LLC, ("SFAS"), on May 19, 2003, entered into a certain agreement entitled Smith Field Airport Operation and Management Agreement (the "Operation and Management Agreement"), pursuant to which SFAS has, since May 20, 2003, operated and managed Smith Field Airport ("Smith Field"), a general aviation airport owned by the Authority;

WHEREAS, the Operation and Management Agreement was, at the time of execution, intended to be a short-term arrangement to assure the continuing operation of Smith Field, until such time as a long-term arrangement for the operation and management of Smith Field could be secured;

WHEREAS, certain users of Smith Field have voiced a strong desire for the Authority to construct additional hangars at Smith Field, citing the lack of hangar space as a hindrance to the growth of Smith Field;

WHEREAS, the Airport Layout Plan ("ALP") process has been generally identified as the basis for delaying both the request for proposals process for a new operation and management agreement and the possible construction of new hangars by the Authority;

WHEREAS, due to circumstances beyond the control of the Authority, the ALP process has already taken much longer than originally believed and, moreover, it appears that the ALP process may be delayed indefinitely;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Authority that the efficient operation and management of Smith Field, as well as the potential growth of Smith Field not be further delayed by circumstances beyond the control of the Authority;

WHEREAS, SFAS has expressed a willingness to remove airport management from its responsibilities under the Operation and Management Agreement, in order to allow the Authority to assume such responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, significant public input has been received in the ALP process to date and more public input is desired by the Authority before the ALP is finalized.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

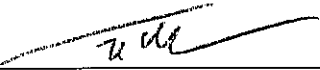
1. Smith Field be kept open indefinitely;
2. The Authority staff is authorized and directed to take the following action:
 - a. Prepare and submit for consideration to the Board of Directors a plan by which the Authority will assume the day-to-day management of Smith Field forthwith;
 - b. Prepare and submit for consideration to the Board of Directors a proposal for "Priority Improvements" at Smith Field including, but not limited to, runway overlayment and the construction of hangars;
 - c. Prepare and submit for consideration to the Board of Directors a proposal for recommended options for long-term use, development, maintenance and funding of Smith Field, with a particular emphasis on an analysis of safety issues, with the understanding that neither federal nor state funding shall be accepted with respect to Smith Field, until the Board of Directors has specifically approved same;
 - d. Promptly evaluate the demand for hangars at Smith Field, and based upon said evaluation, *prepare and submit for consideration by the Board of Directors* a suggested course of action with respect to the construction of additional hangars at Smith Field by the Authority within the current calendar year (subject to applicable state and federal approval), including the number of hangars suggested to be constructed, the projected costs for construction and maintenance of such hangars, and the projected lease income to be generated by such hangars;
 - e. Promptly evaluate options for appropriate recognition of the historical significance of Smith Field, including, but not limited to, aviation museum interests/development opportunities, and submit said evaluation for consideration by the Board of Directors;
 - f. After the Authority has assumed the day-to-day management of Smith Field and after the submission to the Board of Directors of the proposal for Priority Improvements, prepare and submit for consideration by the Board of Directors a suggested set of specifications appropriate to be included in a request for proposals to potential fixed base operators at Smith Field, to include, if reasonably possible, samples of contractual documents that would be entered with the successful proponent; and


g. Continue to cooperate in every reasonable way with the FAA in order to obtain the required input from the FAA regarding the ALP so that the ALP process might be finalized as soon as possible.

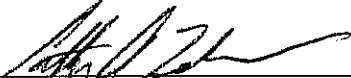
3. Additional public input be obtained before the ALP process is finalized.


Adopted this 25th day of April, 2005.

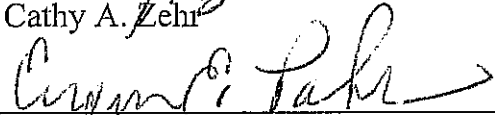
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