

# Sioux Falls Regional Airport Authority

## Special Session Board Meeting Minutes September 6, 2023

Members present Virtually or by phone: Eric Ellefson, Blake Curd, John Taylor, and Lon Stroschein.

Guest Present: Brag Greguson -SP Plus Parking

Guest Present Virtually: Jake Braunagel-KLJ Engineers

Chairman Ellefson called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

1. Discussion to award construction bid to L.T. Companies, LLC dba Parkway Construction for work to expand the cell phone lot - \$171,071.00. Director Letellier provided a summary of the parking demand for the winter of 2024 and the impact of the reduced parking available due to the parking garage construction. The expansion of the Economy Lot will offset a majority of the displaced stalls, but a shortage of space is still possible during the peak months of February and March. Director Letellier and Brad Greguson, Regional Director for SP Plus (parking management firm) both expressed concerns that unless this expansion is completed the possibility of turning away travelers in March due to a lack of parking is real. Several Board members spoke on the need for the additional spaces but were concerned at the high cost of construction for a project that would have limited use.

The airport received four bids for the expansion project which involves bringing in dirt to build up the base and cover with crush asphalt. The low bid belonged to L.T. Companies in the amount of \$171,071.00. Commissioner Stroschein moved to accept the bid from L.T. Construction in the amount of \$171,071.00 and was seconded by Blake Curd. Motion Carried.

2. Task Order with KLJ Engineers to provide Const. Admin. Assistance for Cell Lot Expansion - \$41,754.18. With the award of the bid to perform the cell lot expansion, KLJ Engineers has presented a Task Order to provide construction and administration oversight of the project in the amount of \$41,754.18. Commissioner Curd inquired with Jake Braunagel, Project Manager with KLJ about the high cost of the task order given the 3-4 week timeline for construction. Mr. Braunagel explained the task order reflected the amount of staff time required for the project but may seem higher compared to the construction costs as a result of fewer dollars allocated for material such as concrete or asphalt that can drive construction costs higher. Blake Curd moved to approve the Task Order with KLJ Engineers in the amount of \$41,754.18, seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried

Blake Curd moved to adjourn at 12:33 pm. John Taylor seconded. Motion Carried.

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Date

Secretary

**Next Board Meeting – Sept. 28th @ 12:00 pm.**