

City of Elko)
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State of Nevada)

SS September 23, 2009

The City Council of the City of Elko, State of Nevada met for a special meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 23, 2009.

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael J. Franzoia

ROLL CALL

Mayor Present: Michael J. Franzoia

Council Present: Councilman Jay Elquist * arrived @ 5:10 p.m.
Councilman Chris Johnson
Councilman John Rice

Council Absent: Councilman Jim Conner

City Staff Present: Curtis Calder, City Manager
Shanell Owen, City Clerk
Trent Moyers, Airport Director

I. APPROPRIATIONS

- A. Consideration and possible acceptance of a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in the amount of \$95,000 for AIP 37 – Wildlife Hazard Assessment at the Elko Regional Airport, and matters related thereto. ACTION ITEM

In accordance with the Elko Regional Airport’s Certification Manual and Federal Aviation Regulation 139.337, a wildlife hazard assessment is required whenever a “triggering event” such as an air carrier experiencing multiple wildlife strikes on or near the airport occurs. The Elko Regional Airport received a grant offer from the FAA in the amount of \$95,000 to conduct a wildlife hazard assessment. The local match for this grant is \$5,000.

Airport Director Moyers indicated we have had eight “triggering events” since 2001; one was considered substantial damage.

Mayor Franzoia questioned why we had to accept this grant if the assessment was required by the FAA due to the “triggering events”; why don’t they just give us the funds.

Mr. Moyers advised if we don’t accept this grant we are still required to do it on our own. These funds expire at the end of this fiscal year; if we wait to do it next year it is still grant eligible but it will come out of our entitlement money.

Mr. Moyers explained the assessment process; they will do the study over the course of a year, come out every month, do their assessment and work with Staff, do a regional assessment as well on the airport. Then they will put together a package and submit it to the FAA for their review; they will determine if we will have to have a Wildlife Hazard Management Plan. Mr. Moyers advised this is included in the scope of work for Kimley-Horn so we won't have to go out to bid.

**** A motion was made by Councilman Rice, seconded by Councilman Elquist to accept a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in the amount of \$95,000 for AIP 37 – Wildlife Hazard Assessment at the Elko Regional Airport with the knowledge that the local match is \$5,000.**

Motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public comment period. ACTION WILL NOT BE TAKEN

This agenda item is to provide time for the general public to address the City Council regarding items of concern. Action cannot be taken at this time, but a matter can be set on the agenda for a future meeting, as appropriate.

There was no public comment at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Michael J. Franzoia adjourned the meeting.

Mayor Michael J. Franzoia

Shanell Owen, City Clerk