

Open Work Session

Amendment to the FY19-23 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to Include State Grant Funding in the Amount of \$100,000 for the UAS Center for Innovation

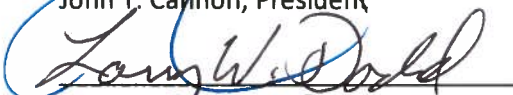
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Mr. Weston Young, Assistant Director of Administration, and Mrs. Dawn Veatch, Airport Manager, came before Council. Mr. Young said they were offered a grant from the Department of Commerce Economic Development Assistance Fund in the amount of \$100,000. He said the purpose of the grant is to be used for drone hangar equipment and furnishings, but it can also be used towards construction, so if they have any change orders pop up that could increase the cost, they can utilize this money as well.

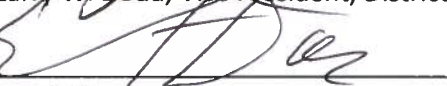
Mr. Cannon asked if they have to amend the 2019-23 CIP, to which Mrs. Hurley responded, she emailed Mr. Young and Mr. Wilber that question. Mr. Young said, given this could potentially be used for the construction of the facility, they thought it wise to edit the CIP because they would have to do it at that point anyway. He said the intention is to use this for furnishings and equipment, so that may or may not hit CIP level, but, to be safe, they want to edit the CIP. Mr. Cannon said he always thought when they approved the new CIP, that superseded the prior CIP, and he would think they could just amend the current CIP to add this, to which Mr. Young responded, they could, but it is not mentioned in the FY20-24 CIP. Mr. Cannon said that is why he thought they should add it, to which Mr. Young responded, they can. Mrs. Hurley clarified, the question was whether they retroactively go back and amend FY19, or add it to FY20, to which Mr. Young responded, he thinks add a new sheet to FY20 showing this project. Mr. Cannon said, if not, they are going to have to amend both of them, to which Mr. Young responded, yes, so he thinks amending the current FY20-24 CIP is the way to go. He said they are grateful that the State has looked upon his project positively from an economic development standpoint, to which Mr. McCain responded, that is a good thing. Mrs. Hurley said this requires a Public Hearing, which can be held on August 6. There was no further discussion.



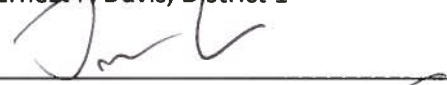
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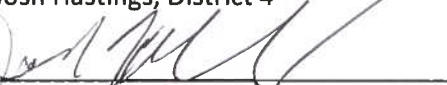
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