

Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

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| Meeting: | Regular Meeting of Council |
| Meeting Date: | May 13, 2025 |
| Originated By: | Scott Kovatch, Economic Development Specialist |
| Title: | Municipal District of Bonnyville Regional Airport Master Plan Carry Forward |

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

September 24, 2024, the M.D. administration approved \$56,000 for the development of a Municipal District of Bonnyville Regional Airport Masterplan. The Airport Masterplan supports councils' economic development aspirations for the community. The masterplan will help identify the costs and benefits of potential future upgrades and expanded operations of the airport.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

The development of an Airport Development Economic Impact Assessment and Airport Masterplan are a crucial part of an overall investment attraction plan that includes the promotion of land and building sales at the adjacent industrial subdivision to increase M.D. revenue.

The Airport Masterplan will include analysis of the airports current economic, social, and emergency management benefits and overall utilization levels. The masterplan will also include airport activity forecasts, 20-year proforma and assessment of airport aeronautical fees and lease rates, resource guide for improved grant applications, and creation of an overarching vision and strategy for the airport that will prevail through changeovers in administration.

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 1: Building a viable and diversified regional economy.

Objective 1: Develop and economic development strategy inclusive of business and industrial attraction, retention, and expansion while maintaining our rural influences.

- Objective: Long-Range Airport Expansion
- Objective: Airport Commercial Subdivision

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

Project Budget: \$56,000

Source of Funding: Reallocation from the 2024 Operating Budget.

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

N/A

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council supports the Airport Masterplan development funding request of \$56,000, in the 2025 operating budget, as the original \$56,000 approved in the 2024 operating budget was not carried forward from the 2024 operating budget.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council supports the Airport Masterplan development funding request of \$56,000, in the 2025 operating budget, as the original \$56,000 approved in the 2024 operating budget was not carried forward from 2024 operating budget.
2. THAT Council requests Administration to bring back more information regarding the Airport Masterplan development funding request of \$56,000, in the 2025 operating budget as the original \$56,000 approved in the 2024 operating budget was not carried forward from 2024 operating budget
3. THAT Council declines the Airport Masterplan development funding request of \$56,000, in the 2025 operating budget as the original \$56,000 approved in the 2024 operating budget was not carried forward from the 2024 operating budget.

Report Approval Details

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| Attachments: | |
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

No Signature - Task assigned to Stephanie Severin was completed by assistant Wendy Wiley

Stephanie Severin