



Meeting Minutes for October 19, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Overcash called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Chair Overcash, Commissioners Adams, Burgener, DiMartino, Stooksbury, and Williams were present. Commissioner Arndt was absent.

Chair Overcash welcomed the new Commissioner, Mick Williams, as the Fort Collins Appointed Citizen Member.

Chair Overcash requested to move the Director's Report prior to Public Comment. All Commissioners present consented.

MONTHLY REPORT

David Ulane, Director of CDOT Aeronautics, provided an update regarding Searidge's resignation from the Remote Tower project.

- The Remote Tower is the FAA's project, and they have not yet provided a response to Searidge's letter. The FAA selected Searidge and the FNL site, and they own the equipment.
- It is prudent to take the first steps toward building a physical tower while still moving forward with the Remote Tower project.
- CDOT continues to pursue the Remote Tower and sees value in utilizing technology as other countries have.
- Currently, a timeline is not available for a physical tower.
- Jackie Marsh, Mayor to the City of Loveland, requested notes and meeting minutes for the Remote Tower Update Meeting held on August 2, 2023.

The RFP for C-hangar repairs is open for submittals until October 26th. The environmental study for hangar demolition is underway.

Terminal construction is on track with Hensel Phelps.

Snow and Ice Control Plan training with staff and stakeholders is complete.

Pavement repairs are in progress in multiple locations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Martin Lind with Discovery Air suggested abandoning the remote tower project to build a brick-and-mortar tower and expressed safety concerns for air traffic.

Kelly Freeland with the Flying School requested information on what the airport is doing to oversee hangar use for non-aeronautical purposes, as well as clarification on runway 6-24 landing procedures



and 15-33 widening impacts.

Erin Black stated that there needs to be a safe place for students to practice.

Bob Massaro stated that the tower is essential and encouraged the Commission to make moves now to quit losing money from commercial service providers.

Gayland Bode presented a noise complaint caused by student pilots flying too low over his residence repeatedly.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Williams moved to approve Consent Agenda. The motion, seconded by Commissioner DiMartino, carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor thereof.

Pulled Items: None
Consent Follow up: None
Public Comments: None

REGULAR AGENDA

6. 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan (ACIP) Draft Review

Aaron Ehle, Airport Planning and Development Specialist, presented this item in accordance with the staff report.

The Airport Capital Improvement Plan is updated annually to identify and prioritize projects for the next five years while maintaining accurate project cost estimates and the status of available resources. Projects must be identified on the 2020 Master Plan for the FAA to evaluate and potentially fund them.

The Airport will request reimbursement for the brick and mortar tower survey and environmental study if the CIP needs to be amended due to changes with the remote tower project.

The new fuel farm site pre-construction work was pushed to 2025 at the direction of the FAA. The City would have to fund any environmental and design work conducted in 2024, and then potentially be reimbursed later on.

Commissioner Williams requested to have a project manager from the FAA visit the remote tower on-site.

Martin Lind with Discovery Air commented that the private sector may be interested in funding a parallel runway if they have a say in timeline, decisions, and other factors since the airport does not currently have the infrastructure to support commercial service.



Commissioner Stooksbury moved to approve the draft ACIP. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Williams, carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor thereof.

**7. Planning and
Development
Subcommittee (PDSC)
Charter Update**

Item tabled for a future Commission meeting.

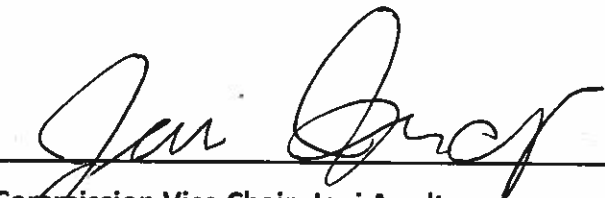
**10. Business from
Members**

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Overcash adjourned the meeting at 5:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Commission Vice Chair, Jeni Arndt

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