



TO: Mayor Shaun Sipma
Members of the City Council

FROM: Rick Feltner, Airport Director

DATE: December 2, 2019

SUBJECT: RATIFY THE MINOT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT'S DONATION OF A 1996 OSHKOSH SWEEPSTER TO WATFORD CITY AIRPORT

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Recommend the City Council ratify the Airport's donation of an out of service piece of Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) to the Watford City Airport.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

Rick Feltner, Airport Director 857-4724

III. DESCRIPTION

A. Background

After the snow removal season of 2018/2019, the Airport removed a 1996 Oshkosh Sweepster from service. The 23-year-old piece of equipment had far surpassed its useful life, and become an operational and financial liability in terms maintenance and operations. This is a specialized piece of equipment with no applicability other than use on runways and taxiways. It is designed to run in long straight lines at relatively high speeds, and is not street legal. The unit was replaced as programmed, with a new piece in October 2019

The original 1996 purchase price was approximately \$240,000 and was paid for with FAA AIP funds (95%), and City match (5%). The estimated remaining value of the SRE was approximately \$30,000-\$50,000. According to FAA procurement policy, had the Airport marketed and tried to sell the SRE, the FAA would have been entitled to 95% of the proceeds. If a buyer could be found, the Airport would have netted approximately \$1,500-\$2,500 (less the time and expense of advertising).

Through discussions with the FAA, the suggestion was made to offer the SRE to other North Dakota airports that were interested. Watford City Airport asked for the sweeper, and paid for its removal and transport.

B. Proposed Project

Donate an out of service piece of snow removal equipment to Watford City Airport

C. Consultant Selection

N/A

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

N/A

B. Service/Delivery Impact:
N/A

C. Fiscal Impact:
N/A

V. ALTERNATIVES
N/A

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS
N/A

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS
A. N/A