

## AIRPORT COMMISSION

### MINUTES

**Wednesday April 3, 2024  
Lindbergh Conference Room  
In Person and via Teleconference**

Members Present: Mr. Cantwell, Judge Clarke (Ret), Mr. Fitzgerald, Ms. Fowler, Mr. King  
Dr. Moore, Dr. Nemanick and Chairperson Hamm-Niebruegge

Via Teleconference: Mr. Bales, Mr. Bowman, Alderman Cohn, Comptroller Green, President  
Green, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Kling, Mr. Lents, Ms. Osborn

Airport Staff: Mr. Beckmann, Ms. Cummings, Ms. Daniels, Officer Jones, Ms. Jones, Mr.  
Jungk, Mr. Kulinsky, Mr. Lotz, Ms. Lyles-Wiggins, Ms. Ruth and Mr. Strong

Legal Staff: Mr. Chavarria, Mr. Henderson and Ms. Yoffie

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm.

#### **1. MINUTES**

- A. Approval is requested for the Minutes of the March 6, 2024 Regular Airport Commission Meeting.

A motion for approval of the minutes was made by Mr. Cantwell and seconded by Ms. Fowler. There being no discussion, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried with Mr. Fitzgerald abstaining.

#### **2. FINANCE**

- A. Approval is requested of the budget for Fiscal Year 2025 pursuant to Section 18.12.060 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis.

A motion for approval was made by Dr. Nemanick and seconded by Dr. Moore. Mr. Strong gave a brief presentation regarding the 2025 Budget. Ms. Hamm-Niebruegge noted that we have over 500 budgeted positions and a 31% vacancy rate. The Airport is reallocating some of the money that is typically budgeted toward those vacant positions to a staffing contracts with contractors who provide temporary employees. The Airport hopes to turn some of those temporary employees into permanent employees over time. Mr. Cantwell asked how the number of employee positions at the Airport is decided for budgeting purposes. Ms. Hamm-Niebruegge explained that the Airport determines the

number of positions in consultation with the airlines, and the Board of Aldermen has to sign off through legislative approval. There being no further discussion, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

### **3. PROPERTIES**

- A. Approval is requested for an Amendment to the Agreement with Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. to provide Insurance Brokerage Services for the Airport. The agreement began on June 1, 2021 and will now end November 30, 2024. The Contract Not-To-Exceed Amount will be increased by \$50,000.00 from \$300,000.00 to \$350,000.00. The First Amendment extends the term of the Agreement by 6 months, increases the Contract Not-To-Exceed Amount by \$50,000.00, revises the payments provision, and updates FAA language in Section 36 and Section 37.

A motion for approval was made by Ms. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Jacobs. Ms. Ruth gave a brief presentation. Ms. Fowler asked if after 6 months the contract will be rebid. Ms. Ruth answered that the Airport has already put out a request for proposals and received responses, but will not have time to choose a new contractor before the airport's insurance renewals are due. Ms. Fowler then complimented Gallagher on their M/WBE participation. There being no more questions, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried with Mr. Cantwell and Judge Clarke (Ret) abstaining.

### **4. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Chairperson requested a motion to move into an Executive Session pursuant to Missouri Revised Statute Section 610.021 Subsections (1) and (2). To discuss legal matters and certain real estate transactions.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Mr. Fitzgerald and seconded by Dr. Nemanick. A roll call vote was taken on the motion, and it carried with 17 votes in favor, zero votes against, and no abstentions. A true and accurate record of the roll call vote is attached hereto as Attachment 1.

The Chairperson asked that all present in person or via teleconference exit the meeting, with the exception of Commission members, authorized Airport staff, and invited guests. She stated that the regular Commission meeting would reconvene immediately following the conclusion of the Executive Session. After the general public departed, the Airport Commission met in Executive Session beginning at 2:35p.m.

The Executive Session concluded, the public was invited to return, and the regular Airport Commission meeting reconvened at 3:40p.m.

### **5. OTHER BUSINESS**

There will be a flight to New Haven, Connecticut out of Terminal 1 provided by a new airline partner, Avelo Airlines. They already provide extensive service on the East and West Coast but St. Louis will be their first Midwest destination. There will be two (2) non-stop flights a week, on Thursdays and Sundays. MODOT is shutting down the LIB ramp to eastbound I-70



for about three months. Every year in conjunction with March Madness the Airport holds a final four competition of planes photographed throughout the year that have landed at STL. They are placed in brackets and voted on by the public. Public participation is always very strong and the bracket and photographs are available on the Airport's page. The annual report is finished and available on the Airport's website.

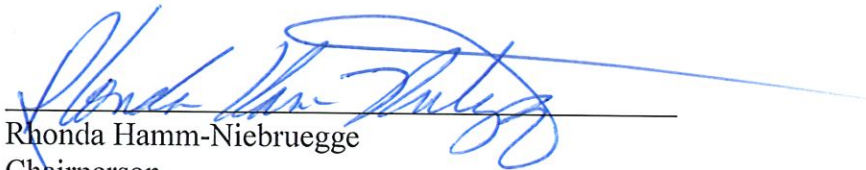
**6. NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday May 1, 2024 at 2:00p.m. Lindbergh Conference Room

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Jacob. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:45p.m.

The foregoing were approved by the Airport Commission at its Regular Meeting held on May 1, 2024.

  
Rhonda Hamm-Niebruegge  
Chairperson