

Regular Agenda

AGENDA ITEM # 19JULY 27, 1999Discuss and take appropriate action on Taylor Airport Road.

Commissioner Limmer advised he had no financial interest in the development of Taylor Airport Road, excused himself from discussion of the item and left the dais.

City of Taylor City Manager Frank Salvato distributed a preliminary engineering report from Turner, Collie and Braden Engineering. When attorney Ted Hejl addressed the court on March 30, 1999, he offered the cooperation of the City of Taylor to work with Williamson County in building a new road west of the Taylor Airport.

The motion approved under Agenda item #12 on that day was, "To appoint County Attorney Gene Taylor and Taylor City Attorney Ted Hejl to work on an interlocal agreement for the construction of a new road west of the Taylor Airport with cost estimates." (Volume 103, page 339 of Williamson County Commissioners Court minutes).

Agenda item #16 of May 4, 1999, motion read, " To approve \$4,250.00 payment from Williamson County economic development funds to Turner, Collie and Braden for preliminary engineering plans study for road west of Taylor Airport from FM 397 (Loop) to Highway 79". (Volume 103, page 934 of Williamson County Commissioners Court minutes). The Taylor Economic Development Corporation had also agreed to pay \$4,250.00 for the \$8,500.00 study. (See copy of proposal recorded in Volume 103, pages 965 through 968 of the Williamson County Commissioners Court minutes).

The overall project total is \$2,416,224.00 - Phase I (\$961,394.00) consists of building a road from Loop 397 south around the west side of the airport into the airport property extending the existing 3500' runway to 4,000'. Phase II (\$1,454,830.00) would begin in the middle of the Taylor Airport property building a road south across Mustang Creek with a bridge to tie into Highway 79 with extension of runway to 4,500'.

The City Manager requested Williamson County assistance in payment of a portion of or all of the \$961,000.00. The current and 1999/2000 city budgets and Taylor Economic Development Corporation commit \$980,000.00 to be spent on the airport. Accomplishments thus far include building Tee hangers, installation of 24 hour fuel system and removal of old underground fuel tanks. A \$160,000.00 Tx Dot matching grant has been accomplished and Taylor Economic Development Corporation is purchasing land north of existing County Road 398 for future expansion.

The City of Taylor, owner of the Taylor Airport, will be responsible for extension of water service to the airport area.

Moved: Commissioner Heiligenstein

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To support Phase I to the fullest extent possible even if issuance of a Certificate of Obligation is required.

Vote: Motion carried 4 - 0 with Commissioner Limmer absent from the dais.
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