PUBLIC NOTICE

Columbus Airport
Columbus, Georgia
Passenger Facility Charge Number 7
Information for Public Notice
September 5, 2018

The Columbus Airport Commission intends to submit an application to the FAA to impose and use funds from a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at the Columbus Airport (Airport). The amount of the PFC is $4.50 per departing passenger to be imposed by the airlines serving the Airport. The expected implementation date is estimated to be December 1, 2018; however, this date may change depending upon the speed of the implementation process. The total amount of PFC funds to be collected in this new application is $3,026,454. Utilizing approximately $556,000 of collected, but currently unobligated PFC funds, the collection period is estimated to end on February 1, 2035.

Exempted class of air carriers: Air Taxi/Commercial Operators (ATCO) filing FAA form 1800-31.

All comments need to be provided by: October 18, 2018

Questions or comments regarding this proposed PFC application should be submitted to:

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Or at the Airport’s Administrative Office in the Main Airport Terminal Building

The projects proposed for funding by PFC for this application include:

**Obstruction Clearing Runway 6-24**

*Project Description:* The aircraft approach to the east and west ends of the main commercial service runway 06/24 contains a number of obstructions. This project will identify and implement the removal of these identified obstructions.


*Funding Sources:*
  - FAA AIP Entitlement (New Grant): $424,737
  - FAA AIP Discretionary (New Application): $0
  - State Grant: $19,991
  - PFC: $89,702
  - Total Project Cost: $534,430

*Justification:* This project will improve the safety of Airport operations by providing clear aircraft approaches.
Design Perimeter Road

**Project Description:** Large areas of the Airport lack a perimeter road system. Under this project a utility road parallel to the exterior perimeter fence of the Airport will be designed. This road will be used by: 1) security patrols, 2) ARFF vehicles, and 3) Airport maintenance units. This project includes NEPA documentation, design, and bidding efforts.

Project design is expected to start in FY 2018 with a 5 month duration. NEPA documentation was completed and submitted to FAA for approval in June 2018.

**Funding Sources:**
- FAA Entitlement (New Grant): $373,507
- FAA Discretionary: $0
- State: $20,750
- PFC: $20,750
- Total Cost: $415,008

**Justification:** This project will improve the safety of Airport operations by allowing Airport safety, security, operations and maintenance vehicles access remote areas of the airfield and the perimeter of airport property.

Construct Perimeter Road

**Project Description:** Large areas of the Airport lack a perimeter road system. Under this project a utility road parallel to the exterior perimeter fence of the Airport will be constructed. This road will be used by: 1) security patrols, 2) ARFF vehicles, and 3) Airport maintenance units.

Construction is expected to start in FY 2020.

**Funding Sources:**
- FAA Entitlement (New Grant): $460,000
- FAA Discretionary (New Grant): $1,970,000
- State: $135,000
- PFC: $135,000
- Total Cost: $2,700,000

**Justification:** This project will improve the safety of Airport operations by allowing Airport safety, security, and maintenance vehicles access to remote areas of the airfield.

Design/Construct Runway 6 RSA Improvements

**Project Description:** The Runway 6 RSA was identified as non-compliant in longitudinal and transverse grading as a part of a FAA Part 139 inspection in March 2015. To bring the RSA into compliance, substantial grading is required, as well as modifications to FEMA flood mapping and modifications to airport navigational aids. The project includes environmental, design, and construction activities.

Construction is expected to start in August 2018 with an expected construction duration of 4
months.

Funding Sources:
- FAA Entitlement (New Grants): $1,245,632
- FAA Discretionary (New Grants): $0
- State: $48,962
- PFC: $204,387
- Total Cost: $1,498,980

Justification: The project will enhance airport safety in compliance with FAA’s regulations.

**Design/Construct Passenger Terminal Upgrades**

**Project Description:** Use of the passenger terminal is being compromised by mechanical, electrical, plumbing, HVAC, communications, building finishes, and other systems and equipment that are beyond their service life. The Airport proposes to renovate the passenger terminal to replace these deficient building systems, and to alleviate functional deficiencies in the building layout. The renovated passenger terminal will provide for improved comfort and use of the facility by passengers, airlines, tenants, and staff.

Design of the project is expected to start in late spring FY18, with completion approximately 12 months later. Construction of the project is expected to start in FY 2019 with an expected construction duration of 18 months.

Funding Sources:
- FAA Entitlement (New Grants): $2,767,225
- FAA Discretionary (New Grants): $9,422,825
- State: $119,950
- PFC: $2,558,850
- Local: $1,218,150
- Total Cost: $16,069,000

Justification: This project is intended to maintain capacity and enhance the opportunity for competition at the airport by providing a terminal building with adequate operating systems and terminal layout that benefits all existing and future air carriers and the flying public.

**PFC Consulting Service**

**Project Description:** The airport has retained a consultant to assist it in preparing Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Application Number 7 and the closing of PFC # 4 and PFC #5 Applications. Work will be performed between October 2017 and September 2018.

Funding Sources:
- FAA Entitlement: $0
- State: $0
- PFC: $26,765
- Total Cost: $26,765

FAA Guidance regarding PFC applications specifically allows the cost of preparation and administration of PFCs to be included as an allowable cost. With the PFC funds
obtained, the Airport will be able to make necessary capital improvements to the facility.

**Justification:** Considering the type of projects that will be implemented as part of the PFC application process this assistance will enhance airport safety.