



April 13, 2022

Town of Spirit River
P.O. Box 130
Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0

Attention: Mayor Tammy Yaremko and Council

Re: Financial Support for Spirit River Airport Runway Lighting

Hi Tammy,

Council reviewed the request for financial support in the amount of 20% or \$94,200.00 of the total cost of \$471,000.00 to replace the existing runway lighting. Council is receptive to the request and the suggestion that the airport may become a regionally-funded airport and recognizes the value of working cooperatively within the G5 framework, however a number of questions were identified and Council asks for clarification prior to reconsidering the matter.

Moved by Councillor Duvall

“That the matter be tabled and direct administration to draft a letter to Spirit River related to the airport runway lighting indicating support in principle, but requesting further information prior to a decision.”

CARRIED

- Please provide a breakdown of the current income and expenses for the airport
- Will there be an expectation that current hanger lease holders will contribute towards this capital project?
- Has a business case been developed for the airport operation and a proposed regionally-funded model? If so, could the document be shared?
- An Air Activity document was shared indicating there were 30 fixed-wing flights and 31 helicopter flights by AHS in 2021. How many of these flights were at night utilizing the airport?
- Was this project identified in your 5-year capital plan?
- Please identify the grant funder and any requirement for municipal contributions as well as an expected date of approval.
- Based on the value, and the need to tender this project, what is the timeline for replacement?

Council looks forward to receiving the answers to their questions with the objective of working together to find a solution. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

On behalf of Council,
Larry Davidson, CLGM
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