

November 14, 2024

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council 202402365  
**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Ohio Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant for Lunken Runway Decommissioning**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x252352, “Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2025 OH AIP Grant,” to provide grant matching resources for the decommissioning of runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$76,265 from the 2025 Ohio Airport Improvement Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x252352, “Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2025 OH AIP Grant,” for the purpose of decommissioning Runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account 980x234x252352, “Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2025 OH AIP Grant.”

This Emergency Ordinance establishes new capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x252352, “Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2025 OH AIP Grant,” to provide grant matching resources for the decommissioning of runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$76,265 from the 2025 Ohio Airport Improvement Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x252352, “Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2025 OH AIP Grant,” for the purpose of decommissioning Runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport.

On January 31, 2024, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 0031-2024, which authorized the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,400,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program (the “FAA/AIP Grant”) for the purpose of decommissioning runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport.

The FAA/AIP Grant requires a 10% local match of up to \$152,528, approximately half of which will be provided from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x222352, “FAA/ODOT Local Match,” and the remainder of which will be provided from the OH AIP Grant. There are no matching resources or new FTEs/full-time equivalents associated with the OH AIP Grant.

Decommissioning Runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop a regional transportation system that promotes economic vitality” as described on page 139 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to apply for and accept the grant by the applicable deadlines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director  
Karen Alder, Finance Director



Attachment