Introduced October 23, 2001, by Councilman Cerny, seconded by Councilman Cusimano (both by request of Administration)

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A resolution requesting funding for improvements at the Slidell Airport.

WHEREAS, Section 131 of Title 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides that cities, towns, parishes, and other political subdivisions of this State may separately or jointly acquire, establish, construct, expand, own, lease, control, equip, improve, maintain, operate, regulate, and police airports and landing fields for the use of aircraft; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development, Division of Aviation (formerly the LA DOTD-OAPT) is charged by Section 6 of Title 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 with the responsibility for the development of aviation facilities within the State to foster air commerce and to safeguard the interests of those engaged in all phases of the aviation industry and of the general public; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the comprehensive aviation development program of the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation and the Federal Aviation Administration, the City of Slidell of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, has completed a Five-Year Capital Improvement Program and Master Plan which outlines the specific development of the Slidell Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana is desirous of implementing a portion of the Capital Improvement Program and Master

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Plan recommendations which provide for critically needed improvements to substantially improve the safety and usability of the Airport, but does not have sufficient funds of its own to finance all of the matching funds required for completing the needed improvements; and

WHEREAS, the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation is authorized by the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 to expend funds for the construction or enlargement of airports for the safety and advancement of aeronautics.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that the City of Slidell of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana:

SECTION I

That the City of Slidell does hereby formally request that the LADOTD Division of Aviation provide the funds which amount to one hundred percent (100%) of the total funds required to complete the airport improvements described as follows:

- 1. Slurry seal and mark entire runway 100 feet by 4,050 feet. Estimated Cost \$135,000.
- 2. Install new six-inch water line. Estimated cost \$100,000. Install new water line for fire protection at the airport.
- 3. Rehabilitate Runway Lighting System. Estimated cost \$70,000. Standardize main runway lighting system, cans & pads; standardize full taxiway lighting system with guidance signage. Install PAPI-2 system and REIL system on the south end of runway.

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- 4. Safety Area Clearing, Grading and Install Culverts. Estimated cost \$350,000. Clear and grade safety area south of runway and install 200 feet of sub-surface drainage in safety area.
- 5. Security Fencing. Estimated cost \$450,000. Complete perimeter fencing and electronic entrance gates.

The City of Slidell of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, does hereby appoint and authorize the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation to act as agent for the City of Slidell for the following purposes:

1. To provide financial assistance to the City of Slidell in the amount described above of the total cost necessary for the completion of the described improvement including engineering costs.

SECTION II

That the said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation be and is hereby assured that all necessary servitudes, rights-of-way, rights of ingress and egress and means thereof will be furnished by the City of Slidell and the titles thereto will be valid and indefeasible, and that the City of Slidell will assume ownership, financial reporting, and complete responsibility for the maintenance and upkeep of the airport after completion of said improvement.

SECTION III

That the City of Slidell will save and hold the said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any liability or claim for damages arising out of the project, including death or injuries to third parties including,

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but not limited to, liability or claim for damages out of the negligence of said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation, its officers, agents, or employees, and expressly agrees to defend any suit of any nature brought against the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation as a result of this project.

SECTION IV

That the Mayor of the City of Slidell be and is hereby authorized and directed to evidence this agreement by affixing his signature at the place provided therefore on this resolution and on the official request for federal aid and on other documents requiring signature by rules and regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration in the number of counterparts as required by the FAA and the Clerk is hereby authorized to attest said execution.

SECTION V

That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of October, 2001.

Jack Cerny

President of the Council Councilman, District F

Davis Dautreuil

Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council

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ATTEST:

Salvatore A. Caruso

Mayor

CERTIFICATE

IT IS HEREBY certified that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by the City of Slidell of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, in regular session convened on this the 23rd day of October, 2001.

Davis Dautreuil

Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council