METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, DC 20002-4239

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTING A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR THE TWENTY-SIXTH PHASE OF THE CONTINUOUS AIRPORT SYSTEM PLANNING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century includes a provision that makes the District of Columbia eligible to receive and disburse to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Apportionment funds; and

WHEREAS, COG received funding for the first time from AIP apportionments for the CASP 19 grant; and

WHEREAS, COG is recognized by FAA as the air systems planning agency for the Metropolitan Washington region; and

WHEREAS, the FAA administers a program that provides funds for continuing air transportation systems planning in large metropolitan regions; and

WHEREAS, COG is involved in a continuing planning process for addressing the issues concerning the future development and impact of the region's major commercial airports, military fields, and general aviation facilities, as they relate to metropolitan and local community development goals and policies; and

WHEREAS, the growth of commercial aviation activity in the Washington-Baltimore region, particularly at Baltimore/Washington International and Washington Dulles International Airports, requires that long-term planning proceed to best accommodate that growth; and

WHEREAS, the FAA has funded twenty-five separate phases of this continuing planning effort; and

WHEREAS, the FAA has indicated its willingness to fund a Phase 26 grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to submit a planning grant application and execute a grant contract with the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct Phase 26 of a multi-year program for Continuous Airport System Planning for the National Capital Region in an amount not to exceed \$315,800. This application and subsequent grant contract would include the following tasks: (1) Prepare Ground Access Forecast Update, Phase 2; (2) Prepare Ground Access Element Update, Phase 1; and (3) Process 2011 Washington-Baltimore Regional Air Passenger Survey, Phase 1. The FAA will provide funds for ninety-five percent, \$300,000, of the project total. The five percent match, \$15,800, will be provided from budgeted local funds. The Executive Director, or his designee, is further authorized, if necessary, to enter into contracts with qualified firms to provide specialized support in performance of the grant requirements. Such contracts shall result from COG's competitive procurement system.

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