

**A RESOLUTION  
BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION CONCERNING THE INSTALLATION OF A RUNWAY STATUS LIGHTS SYSTEM AT HARTSFIELD-JACKSON ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AT NO COST TO THE CITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Atlanta ("City"), as owner and operator of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport ("Airport"), works closely with the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") to ensure the Airfield meets or exceeds established standards for the safety of the traveling public; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and the FAA desire to install, in certain portions of the airfield, a Runway Status Lights System ("RWSL") consisting, in part, of Runway Entrance Lights ("REL"), Takeoff Hold Lights ("THL") and all required data processing equipment and software; and

**WHEREAS**, the FAA will be responsible (with Department of Aviation oversight) for administering and funding the RWSL project, at no cost to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Aviation General Manager has determined that it is desirable and in the City's best interest to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the FAA memorializing the RWSL project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA**, that the Mayor is authorized to execute, on behalf of the City's Department of Aviation, a Memorandum of Agreement with the FAA for the implementation of the RWSL project, at no cost to the City.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all funding for the RWSL project will be paid by the FAA.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Attorney is directed to work with the FAA and its counsel in reviewing the proposed Agreement submitted by the FAA for execution by the Mayor.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Memorandum of Agreement will not become binding on the City and the City will incur no liability under it until it has been executed by the Mayor, attested to by the Municipal Clerk, approved as to form by the City Attorney and delivered to the FAA.

**Part II: Legislative White Paper:** (This portion of the Legislative Request Form will be shared with City Council members and staff)

**A. To be completed by Legislative Counsel:**

**Committee of Purview:**

**Caption:**

**Council Meeting Date:**

**Requesting Dept.:**

**FAC Confirmed by:**

**B. To be completed by the department:**

**1. Please provide a summary of the purpose of this legislation (Justification Statement).**

The RWSL project augments a layered defense system to reduce the likelihood of a runway incursion. RWSL integrates airport lighting equipment to provide a visual signal to pilots indicating that it is unsafe to enter/cross or begin takeoff on a runway.

**2. Please provide background information regarding this legislation.**

This project consists of Airport surveillance sensor inputs that are processed through safety logic that commands in-pavement lights. Runway Entrance Lights (RELs) provide a signal to aircraft crossing a runway from an intersecting taxiway. Takeoff Hold Lights (THLs) provide a signal to aircraft in position for takeoff.

**3. If Applicable/Known:**

- (a) **Contract Type (e.g. Professional Services, Construction Agreement, etc):** Memorandum of Agreement
- (b) **Source Selection:** N/A
- (c) **Bids/Proposals Due:** N/A
- (d) **Invitations Issued:** N/A
- (e) **Number of Bids:** N/A
- (f) **Proposals Received:** 1 - MOA

(g) Bidders/Proponents: 0

(h) Term of Contract: Completion of Project - Est. 2012

4. Fund Account Center (*Ex. Name and number*): N/A

Fund: \_\_\_\_\_ Account: \_\_\_\_\_ Center: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Source of Funds: *Example*: Federal Aviation Administration - Runway Status Lights Program

6. Fiscal Impact: N/A

*Example: This legislation will result in a reduction in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to Fund Account Center Number \_\_\_\_\_.*

7. Method of Cost Recovery: N/A

*Examples:*

- a. *Revenues generated from the permits required under this legislation will be used to fund the personnel needed to carry out the permitting process.*
- b. *Money obtained from a local assistance grant will be used to cover the costs of this Summer Food Program.*

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TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO: MAYOR'S OFFICE

ATTN: GREG PRIDGEON

Dept.'s Legislative Liaison: Anita Williams

Contact Number: 404-530-6600

Originating Department: Aviation

Committee(s) of Purview: Transportation

Chief of Staff Deadline: 2/24/09

Anticipated Committee Meeting Date(s): 3/11/09

Anticipated Full Council Date: 3/16/09

Commissioner Signature: 


CAPTION

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FINANCIAL IMPACT (if any)

Mayor's Staff Only

Received by CPO: \_\_\_\_\_ Received by LC from CPO: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date) (date)

Received by Mayor's Office: 2/23/09 JB Reviewed by:   
(date) (date)

Submitted to Council: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)