



## Airport Project Status Report

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Princeton Municipal Airport

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### WORK IN PROGRESS

#### Reconstruct Taxiway A & Partial Connecting Taxiways and Replace MITL System (Rebid and Construction)

KLJ #2005-00592 AIP #3-27-0081-018-2021

*No change in status. KLJ submitted a draft closeout report to MnDOT for review on January 5, 2023. MnDOT provided initial comments on the report on January 19, 2023 and the City submitted a final credit application on February 8, 2023. KLJ then updated the closeout report and sent to the City for final signatures on February 10, 2023. The City returned the signed closeout report on June 6, 2023 and KLJ submitted to MnDOT for final approval the same day.*

#### Beacon Replacement – Design and Construction

KLJ #2105-02001 AIP #3-27-0081-020-2022

*No change in status. A final walkthrough inspection was held on July 6, 2023. The Contractor cleaned up the remaining punch list items in mid-September. KLJ coordinated the final pay estimate with the Contractor and submitted to the City for approval on October 25, 2023. KLJ has begun working on the closeout report and will finalize once the planning study has been completed.*

#### Targeted Planning Study and ALP Update

KLJ #2205-00514 AIP #3-27-0081-020-2022

*No change in status. The draft ALP was submitted to MnDOT and FAA for review on February 8, 2024. The planning team is finalizing the narrative report and will submit to the FAA for review. The City is working on drafting the deed restrictions in the industrial park for review by FAA. KLJ will work with the City to submit a letter of intent on the parcels along with an exhibit of parcels.*

#### Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) Replacement – Phase 1 Final Siting & Phase 2 Design

KLJ # 2305-01876 MN S.P. A4802-32

*The FAA approved the CATEX on March 22, 2024. The state grant agreement was fully executed on March 25, 2024. KLJ finished preliminary design work on the foundation and site layout on May 3, 2024 in preparation for 90% reviews. On May 7, 2024, MnDOT informed KLJ of their plans to alter the AWOS equipment being provided on the project which, in turn, affects the foundation design and site layout. After conversations with MnDOT personnel, it was agreed to put the project design work on hold until MnDOT can provide further direction on their plans for the AWOS equipment.*

### OTHER ITEMS

- *KLJ met with the City on April 11, 2024 to discuss the future disposition of the baffles and Light Signal Clearance Surface (LSCS) for the Runway 16 PAPIs. The FAA noted in the meeting on March 21, 2024 that the airport should plan for a permanent resolution to the trees in the LSCS. KLJ will assist the City in drafting a letter to the FAA.*



- *KLJ has assisted City staff and Mr. Mulske in evaluating the siting of an expansion to Mr. Mulske's hangar to remain clear of future setbacks from the realigned taxiway.*
- The FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 was signed into law on May 16, 2024 and provides annual AIP funding through FY2028. KLJ staff is reviewing the language of this bill and will provide updates as needed, but at this time anticipates no major changes to the previous program.
- KLJ has assisted City staff and Mr. Smith in exploring T-Hangar development options along the hangar taxilanes.
- KLJ reviewed the proposed mixed use development plan northwest of Airport property and provided comments to City Staff.

#### **ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION BY CITY/AIRPORT**

- Draft deed restrictions for the two parcels in the industrial park and submit to FAA for review.

#### **ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION BY MnDOT Aeronautics**

- Review/sign final closeout report for AIP #3-27-0081-018-2021 (Taxiway A Reconstruction) and forward to FAA.

#### **ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION BY FAA**

- Review/sign final closeout report for AIP #3-27-0081-018-2021 (Taxiway A Reconstruction) once received from MnDOT.

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