



U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Aviation Administration

CONCESSIONS RENT RELIEF AIRPORT RESCUE

GRANT AGREEMENT

Part I - Offer

Federal Award Offer Date January 26, 2022

Airport/Planning Area Corpus Christi International Airport, Texas

Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Number 3-48-0051-066-2022

Unique Entity Identifier 782001259

TO: City of Corpus Christi, Texas
(herein called the "Sponsor")

FROM: The United States of America (acting through the Federal Aviation Administration, herein called the "FAA")

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has submitted to the FAA a Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Application dated July 1, 2022, for a grant of Federal funds to reimburse the Sponsor for providing relief from rent and minimum annual guarantees (MAG) to each eligible in-terminal airport concession at Corpus Christi International Airport, in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act ("ARP Act"), Public Law 117-2, Section 7102;

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has accepted the terms of this Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Offer (the "Offer");

WHEREAS, in consideration of the promises, representations, and assurances provided by the Sponsor, the FAA has approved the Grant Application for the Corpus Christi International Airport, consisting of the following:

WHEREAS, this Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Agreement (the "Grant" or "Agreement") is provided in accordance with the ARP Act to provide certain amounts of grant assistance, as described below, to eligible sponsors in amounts to specific airports derived by legislative formula (See Section 7102 of the Act);

WHEREAS, this Grant hereby obligates \$224,872 to in-terminal Small Airport Concessions per the ARP Act, and \$56,218 to in-terminal Large Airport Concessions per the ARP Act. The obligations are to provide relief from rent and MAG obligations, as applicable, to each eligible in-terminal airport concession in an amount that reflects each eligible in-terminal airport concession's proportional share of the total amount of the rent and MAG at Corpus Christi International Airport by legislatively prescribed category (Small or Large Airport Concession), as further defined herein, for relief provided no earlier than March 11, 2021, in accordance with an FAA-approved Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan (herein called "the Plan"), until the funds have been fully expended;

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the ARP Act, Public Law 117-2, Section 7102, the representations contained in the Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Grant Application, and in consideration of, (a) the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer for a Grant, the terms, conditions, and assurances of this Grant Agreement ("Grant Agreement" or "Agreement"); and, (b) the benefits to accrue to the United States and the public from the accomplishment of the Grant, and in compliance with the conditions and requirements as herein provided.

THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES, HEREBY OFFERS AND AGREES to pay 100% of the allowable concessions rent and MAG relief as a result of and in accordance with this Grant Agreement.

Assistance Listings Number (Formerly CFDA Number): 20.106

This offer is made on and **SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

CONDITIONS

1. **Maximum Obligation.** The maximum obligation of the United States payable under this Offer is \$281,090, allocated as follows:

\$56,218 ARPA Large Concessions KY2022

\$224,872 ARPA Small Concessions KZ2022

2. **Grant Performance.** This Grant Agreement is subject to the following Federal award requirements:

- a. The Period of Performance:

1. Shall start on the date the Sponsor formally accepts this Grant and is the date signed by the last Sponsor signatory to the Grant Agreement. The end date of the Period of Performance is 4 years (1,460 calendar days) from the date of acceptance. The Period of Performance end date shall not affect, relieve, or reduce Sponsor obligations and assurances that extend beyond the closeout of this Grant.

2. Means the total estimated time interval between the start of an initial Federal award and the planned end date, which may include one or more funded portions, or budget periods. (2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 200.1)

- b. The Budget Period:

1. The Budget Period for this Grant is 4 years (1,460 calendar days). Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.403(h), the Sponsor may charge to the Grant only allowable costs incurred during the Budget Period.
 2. Means the time interval from the start date of a funded portion of an award to the end date of that funded portion during which the Sponsor is authorized to expend the funds awarded, including any funds carried forward or other revisions pursuant to § 200.308.
- c. Closeout and Termination.
1. Unless the FAA authorizes a written extension, the Sponsor must submit all Grant closeout documentation and liquidate (payoff) all obligations incurred under this award no later than 120 calendar days after the end date of the Period of Performance. If the Sponsor does not submit all required closeout documentation within this time period, the FAA will proceed to close out the Grant within one year of the Period of Performance end date with the information available at the end of 120 days. (2 CFR § 200.344)
 2. The FAA may terminate this Grant, in whole or in part, in accordance with the conditions set forth in 2 CFR § 200.340 or other Federal regulatory or statutory authorities as applicable.
3. **Unallowable Reimbursable Rent Relief.** The Sponsor shall not seek reimbursement for any concessions rent and MAG relief that the FAA has determined to be unallowable under the ARP Act.
 4. **Final Federal Share of Reimbursable Rent Relief.** The United States' share of allowable Grant concessions rent relief is 100%.
 5. **Completing the Grant without Delay and in Conformance with Requirements.** The Sponsor must carry out and provide the concessions rent and MAG relief without undue delays and in accordance with this Grant Agreement, the ARP Act, and the regulations, policies, standards, and procedures of the Secretary of Transportation ("Secretary"). Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.308, the Sponsor agrees to report to the FAA any disengagement from the project eligible under the Grant that exceeds three months or a 25% reduction in time devoted to the Grant, and request prior approval from FAA. The report must include a reason for the stoppage. The Sponsor agrees to comply with the attached assurances, which are part of this Agreement and any addendum that may be attached hereto at a later date by mutual consent.
 6. **Amendments or Withdrawals before Grant Acceptance.** The FAA reserves the right to amend or withdraw this Offer at any time prior to its acceptance by the Sponsor.
 7. **Offer Expiration Date.** This Offer will expire and the United States will not be obligated to pay any part of the costs unless this Offer has been accepted by the Sponsor on or before February 28, 2022, or such subsequent date as may be prescribed in writing by the FAA.
 8. **Improper Use of Federal Funds.** The Sponsor must take all steps, including litigation if necessary, to recover Federal funds spent fraudulently, wastefully, or in violation of Federal antitrust statutes, or misused in any other manner, including uses that violate this Grant Agreement, the ARP Act, or other provision of applicable law. For the purposes of this Grant Agreement, the term "Federal funds" means funds however used or dispersed by the Sponsor that were originally paid pursuant to this or any other Federal grant agreement(s). The Sponsor must return the recovered Federal share, including funds recovered by settlement, order, or judgment, to the Secretary. The Sponsor must furnish to the Secretary, upon request, all documents and records pertaining to the determination of the amount of the Federal share or to any settlement, litigation, negotiation, or

other efforts taken to recover such funds. All settlements or other final positions of the Sponsor, in court or otherwise, involving the recovery of such Federal share require advance approval by the Secretary.

9. **United States Not Liable for Damage or Injury.** The United States is not responsible or liable for damage to property or injury to persons that may arise from, or relate to, this Grant Agreement, including, but not limited to, any action taken by a Sponsor related to or arising from, directly or indirectly, this Grant Agreement.
10. **System for Award Management (SAM) Registration and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).**
 - a. Requirement for System for Award Management (SAM): Unless the Sponsor is exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR 25.110, the Sponsor must maintain the currency of its information in SAM until the Sponsor submits the final financial report required under this Grant, or receives the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that the Sponsor review and update the information at least annually after the initial registration and more frequently if required by changes in information or another award term. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM website (currently at <http://www.sam.gov>).
 - b. Unique entity identifier (UEI) means a 12-character alpha-numeric value used to identify a specific commercial, nonprofit, or governmental entity. A UEI may be obtained from SAM.gov at <https://sam.gov/SAM/pages/public/index.jsf>.
11. **Electronic Grant Payment(s).** Unless otherwise directed by the FAA, the Sponsor must make each payment request under this agreement electronically via the Delphi eInvoicing System for Department of Transportation (DOT) Financial Assistance Awardees.
12. **Air and Water Quality.** The Sponsor is required to comply with all applicable air and water quality standards for all concessions rent and MAG relief provided under this Grant. If the Sponsor fails to comply with this requirement, the FAA may suspend, cancel, or terminate this Grant Agreement.
13. **Financial Reporting and Payment Requirements.** The Sponsor will comply with all Federal financial reporting requirements and payment requirements, including submittal of timely and accurate reports.
14. **Buy American.** Unless otherwise approved in advance by the FAA, in accordance with 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 50101, the Sponsor will not acquire or permit any contractor or subcontractor to acquire any steel or manufactured goods produced outside the United States to be used for any project for which funds are provided under this grant. The Sponsor will include a provision implementing Buy American in every contract.
15. **Audits for Sponsors.**

PUBLIC SPONSORS. The Sponsor must provide for a Single Audit or program-specific audit in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200. The Sponsor must submit the audit reporting package to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse on the Federal Audit Clearinghouse's Internet Data Entry System at <http://harvester.census.gov/facweb/>. Upon request of the FAA, the Sponsor shall provide one copy of the completed audit to the FAA. Sponsors that expend less than \$750,000 in Federal awards and are exempt from Federal audit requirements must make records available for review or audit by the appropriate Federal agency officials, State, and Government Accountability Office. The FAA and other appropriate Federal agencies may request additional information to meet all Federal audit requirements.

16. **Suspension or Debarment.** When entering into a “covered transaction” as defined by 2 CFR § 180.200, the Sponsor must:
- a. Verify the non-Federal entity is eligible to participate in this Federal program by:
 1. Checking the excluded parties list system (EPLS) as maintained within the System for Award Management (SAM) to determine if the non-Federal entity is excluded or disqualified; or
 2. Collecting a certification statement from the non-Federal entity attesting the entity is not excluded or disqualified from participating; or
 3. Adding a clause or condition to covered transactions attesting the individual or firm is not excluded or disqualified from participating.
 - b. Require prime contractors to comply with 2 CFR § 180.330 when entering into lower-tier transactions (e.g., subcontracts).
 - c. Immediately disclose to the FAA whenever the Sponsor (1) learns the Sponsor has entered into a covered transaction with an ineligible entity, or (2) suspends or debar a contractor, person, or entity.
17. **Ban on Texting While Driving.**
- a. In accordance with Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, October 1, 2009, and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving, December 30, 2009, the Sponsor is encouraged to:
 1. Adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while driving when performing any work for, or on behalf of, the Federal government, including work relating to this Grant or subgrant funded by this Grant.
 2. Conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as:
 - A. Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and
 - B. Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.
 - b. The Sponsor must insert the substance of this clause on banning texting while driving in all subgrants, contracts, and subcontracts funded by this Grant.
18. **Trafficking in Persons.**
- a. You as the recipient, your employees, subrecipients under this Grant, and subrecipients’ employees may not –
 1. Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect;
 2. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or
 3. Use forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under this Grant.

- b. The FAA as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if you or a subrecipient that is a private entity –
 - 1. Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition; or
 - 2. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the Grant Agreement to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition through conduct that is either –
 - A. Associated with performance under this Grant Agreement; or
 - B. Imputed to the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR Part 180, “OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement),” as implemented by the FAA at 2 CFR Part 1200.
- c. You must inform us immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition during this Grant Agreement.
- d. Our right to terminate unilaterally that is described in paragraph a. of this condition:
 - 1. Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7104(g)), and
 - 2. Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to the FAA under this Grant Agreement.

19. Employee Protection from Reprisal.

- a. Prohibition of Reprisals —
 - 1. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, an employee of a grantee or subgrantee may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing to a person or body described in sub-paragraph a2. of this condition, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of:
 - a. Gross mismanagement of a Federal grant;
 - b. Gross waste of Federal funds;
 - c. An abuse of authority relating to implementation or use of Federal funds;
 - d. A substantial and specific danger to public health or safety; or
 - e. A violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a Federal grant.
 - 2. Persons and bodies covered: The persons and bodies to which a disclosure by an employee is covered are as follows:
 - a. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress;
 - b. ~~An Inspector General;~~
 - c. The Government Accountability Office;
 - d. A Federal employee responsible for oversight or management of a grant program at the relevant agency;
 - e. A court or grand jury;
 - f. A management official or other employee of the Sponsor, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct; or

- g. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency.
3. Submission of Complaint — A person who believes that they have been subjected to a reprisal prohibited by paragraph a. of this section may submit a complaint regarding the reprisal to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the U.S. Department of Transportation.
 4. Time Limitation for Submittal of a Complaint — A complaint may not be brought under this subsection more than three years after the date on which the alleged reprisal took place.
 5. Required Actions of the Inspector General — Actions, limitations, and exceptions of the Inspector General’s office are established under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(b).
 6. Assumption of Rights to Civil Remedy — Upon receipt of an explanation of a decision not to conduct or continue an investigation by the Office of Inspector General, the person submitting a complaint assumes the right to a civil remedy under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(c).
20. **Limitations.** Nothing provided herein shall be construed to limit, cancel, annul, or modify the terms of any Federal grant agreement(s), including all terms and assurances related thereto, that have been entered into by the Sponsor and the FAA prior to the date of this Grant Agreement.
21. **Face Coverings Policy.** The Sponsor agrees to implement a face-covering (mask) policy to combat the spread of pathogens. This policy must include a requirement that all persons wear a mask, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) requirements, as applicable, at all times while in all public areas of the airport property, except to the extent exempted under those requirements. This special condition requires the Sponsor continue to require masks until [Executive Order 13998, Promoting COVID-19 Safety in Domestic and International Travel](#) is no longer effective.
22. **Small and Large Concessions Rent Relief Set-Asides.** The Sponsor agrees that funds under this Grant are available for the Sponsor to provide relief from rent and MAG to eligible in-terminal Small Airport Concessions, per the Act, in the amount listed in condition 1 above, and for the Sponsor to provide relief from rent and MAG to eligible in-terminal Large Airport Concessions, per the Act, in the amount listed in condition 1 above. The Sponsor shall provide relief from rent and MAG from March 11, 2021, until the Sponsor has provided relief equaling the total grant amount, to the extent practicable and to the extent permissible under State laws, local laws, and applicable trust indentures.
23. **Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan.** The Sponsor agrees to submit to the FAA a Concessions Rent Relief Airport Rescue Plan (“the Plan”) identifying the in-terminal Small and Large Airport Concessions, as defined in 49 CFR § 23.3, eligible to receive proportional funding under this Grant, in accordance with the ARP Act. The Sponsor agrees that the FAA will reimburse the Sponsor after the FAA accepts the Plan submitted by the Sponsor. The Sponsor agrees the Plan will include all elements as prescribed by the FAA to facilitate review of reimbursement payments that comply with the ARP Act.
24. **Small Airport Concessions Rent Relief Set-Aside.** The Sponsor’s Plan must specify relief from rent and MAG obligations to eligible in-terminal Small Airport Concession, meaning a small concession business with gross receipts, averaged over the previous three fiscal years, of less than \$56,420,000; or joint ventures as defined in 49 CFR § 23.3. The Sponsor agrees that relief provided to eligible in-terminal Small Airport Concessions will be a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period.


25. **Large Airport Concessions Rent Relief Set-Aside.** The Sponsor's Plan must specify relief from rent and MAG obligations to eligible in-terminal Large Airport Concessions, meaning a concession as defined in 49 CFR § 23.3, that has gross receipts, averaged over the previous three fiscal years, of more than \$56,420,000. The Sponsor agrees that relief provided to eligible in-terminal Large Airport Concessions will be a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period.
26. **Adjustments to Proportionality among Airport Concessions.**
- a. **Adjustments to Proportionality among Airport Concessions Set-Aside.** The Sponsor agrees that the FAA may approve reimbursement under the Act for rent and MAG relief provided to eligible in-terminal Airport Concessions on a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period. Adjustments from this proportionality amongst Airport Concessions within a respective Small or Large Concession Set-Aside are limited; must be supported by evidence and specific circumstances; and must be approved by the FAA prior to reimbursement. The Sponsor agrees the Plan will include all elements as prescribed by the FAA to facilitate review of reimbursement payments that comply with the ARP Act.
 - b. **Adjustments between Small and Large Concession Set-Asides.** The Sponsor agrees that the FAA may approve reimbursement under the Act for concessions rent and MAG relief provided to eligible in-terminal Airport Concessions on a proportional share based on rent and MAG collected during a baseline time-period. Adjustments from this proportionality between Small and Large Concession Set-Asides are limited, must be supported by evidence and specific circumstances, and must be approved by the FAA prior to reimbursement. The Sponsor agrees the Plan will include all elements as prescribed by the FAA to facilitate review of reimbursement payments that comply with ARP Act.
27. **Sponsor Certification of Reimbursement Request.** To be reimbursed, the Sponsor shall provide the FAA with the Plan, and reporting data as requested, in lieu of invoices, and shall certify all information submitted is true and correct. The Sponsor may not use funds allocated herein for other airport purposes.
28. **Concession's Certification of Relief Funds.** Each airport concession to be provided relief with Grant funds shall certify to the Sponsor, prior to the Sponsor submitting a Plan, it has not and will not apply for other Federal assistance for the purpose of receiving rent and MAG relief on or after March 11, 2021.

The Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer and ratification and adoption of the Grant Application incorporated herein shall be evidenced by execution of this instrument by the Sponsor, as hereinafter provided, and this Offer and acceptance shall comprise a Grant, as provided by the ARP Act, constituting the contractual obligations and rights of the United States and the Sponsor with respect to the accomplishment of the purpose of the ARP Act and compliance with the conditions as provided herein. Further, this Grant, inclusive of all terms, conditions, and assurances provided there, and become effective upon the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer.

Please read the following information: By signing this document, you are agreeing that you have reviewed the following consumer disclosure information and consent to transact business using electronic communications, to receive notices and disclosures electronically, and to utilize electronic signatures in lieu of using paper documents. You are not required to receive notices and disclosures or sign documents electronically. If you prefer not to do so, you may request to receive paper copies and withdraw your consent at any time.

Dated January 26, 2022

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**


Jesse Carriger (Jan 26, 2022 03:18 CST)

(Signature)

Jesse Carriger

(Typed Name)

Manager, Texas ADO

(Title of FAA Official)

Part II - Acceptance

The Sponsor does hereby ratify and adopt all assurances, statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in the Grant Application and incorporated materials referred to in the foregoing Offer under Part I of this Grant Agreement, and does hereby accept this Offer and by such acceptance agrees to comply with all of the terms and conditions in this Offer and in the Grant Application and all applicable terms and conditions provided for in the ARP Act and other applicable provisions of Federal law.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. ¹

Dated January 28, 2022

City of Corpus Christi, Texas

(Name of Sponsor)

Steve Viera

Steve Viera (Jan 28, 2022 16:39 CST)

(Signature of Sponsor's Designative Official/Representative)

By: Steve Viera

(Type Name of Sponsor's Designative Official/Representative)

Title: Assistant City Manager

(Title of Sponsor's Designative Official/Representative)

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¹ Knowingly and willfully providing false information to the Federal government is a violation of 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 (False Statements) and could subject you to fines, imprisonment, or both.

CERTIFICATE OF SPONSOR'S ATTORNEY

I, Elizabeth Hundley, acting as Attorney for the Sponsor do hereby certify:

That in my opinion the Sponsor is empowered to enter into the foregoing Grant Agreement under the laws of the State of Texas. Further, I have examined the foregoing Grant Agreement and the actions taken by said Sponsor and Sponsor's official representative has been duly authorized and that the execution thereof is in all respects due and proper and in accordance with the laws of the said State and the ARP Act. The Sponsor understands funding made available under this Grant Agreement may only be used for concessions and MAG Relief. Further, it is my opinion the foregoing Grant Agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation of the Sponsor in accordance with the terms thereof.

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Dated at January 31, 2022

By: Elizabeth Hundley
Elizabeth Hundley (Jan 31, 2022 18:12 CST)
(Signature of Sponsor's Attorney)