

TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Topic: Medevac Crew Facilities Construction

Purpose	Information:	Guidance: X	Decision:
Recommendation	Authorize additional investigation, preliminary site planning, and permitting.		
Last Action	At the September 23, 2010 Board meeting, the Board approved a \$100,000 budget for the Emergency Services Crew Facilities Project as part of the Fiscal 2010-2011 budget.		
Discussion	<p>Currently the helicopter medevac company operates and quarters its crew out of the Martis Peak Professional Building. The helicopter is staged on the southern part of the jet ramp and is hangared on the east end of L Row.</p> <p>To consolidate operations and provide a more efficient operating layout, it would be advantageous to construct a joint crew/office facility adjacent to the jet ramp. This facility would be approximately 1700 ft² and have 3 bedrooms and 1 office as well as a kitchen and central common area. A modular home with 4 bedrooms would serve this purpose and provide an economical solution. Site improvements such as utility piping, building foundation and sidewalks would need to be completed before the building is placed.</p> <p>A special use permit from the Nevada County Planning Department would need to be obtained as well as a building permit.</p> <p>A project schedule, budget, draft site plan and a possible floor plan and elevation of a modular building is attached. There may be less expensive modular options available upon further investigation and an RFP process. Ensuring that the roof can be upgraded for the appropriate snow load is a key factor. Completing the site work by mid-October is the critical factor.</p> <p>This project would provide significant improvement to first response times. By locating crew facilities in the same location as operational offices and hangar, first response times <u>will</u> be improved 3:00 to 5:00 minutes on every call, 5:00 to 7:00 minutes in winter and by up to 15:00 minutes if the aircraft has to be removed from the hangar. These are significant numbers in the public safety first response timeline.</p> <p>The next steps in this process would be to enter into agreements with a civil engineering company for site and structural design, select a consultant for construction management services, conduct an informal bid process for site construction, conduct an RFP process for a suitable modular building and enter into a contract</p>		

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with the successful company.

Fiscal Impact

Total estimated cost for project ranges from \$220,000 to \$265,000 depending on the size and type of the housing unit.

Staff's intent is to offset this cost by rental income from the service provider. Calculations show that a \$1,522 per month (no ROI included) rent with an annual inflationary increase will result in a net no cost project. This is based on a 20 year amortization.

Currently the District has \$100,000 set aside for this project. Through our preliminary investigation, this amount is inadequate to complete the project. It is likely final completion will extend into the next budget year. We could begin the project with the funding available this fiscal year and complete it with the additional funds from FY2012.

Communication Strategy

If the decision is made to move forward with the project, staff will coordinate site planning with public safety professionals and medevac providers. When appropriate the District will provide more information on the project to the local media and constituents.

Attachments

- Medevac Facility Budget
- Medevac Facility Schedule
- Medevac Facility Site Plans
- Medevac Facility Sample Floor Plan
- Medevac Facility Sample Elevation