



DULUTH AIRPORT AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF THE DULUTH AIRPORT AUTHORITY

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

PURSUANT TO MINN. STAT. § 13D.02

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Duluth Airport Authority will hold its *special* meeting on **Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.** in the Amatuzio Conference Room, Third Floor, in the Duluth International Airport Terminal Building, 4701 Grinden Drive, Duluth, MN 55811.

The purpose of the meeting is to present a resolution to encumber an estimated \$595,770 of airport funds as the local matching funds for a Federal EDA grant in the estimated amount of \$2,383,078.00 for a total project estimated cost of \$2,978,848.

Members of the public may attend in person or attend virtually by clicking below to access the meeting by Microsoft Teams: "Microsoft Teams Meeting" (information below). Board members may participate in the meeting by interactive technology.

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The public may express their comments for consideration by the Duluth Airport Authority prior to the meeting by email or in writing to daa@duluthairport.com or to Duluth Airport Authority, 4701 Grinden Drive, Duluth, MN 55811.



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AMATUZIO CONFERENCE ROOM
DULUTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

I. *EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REVIEW

N/A

II. *APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES & OTHER CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

N/A

III. *DAA CASH DISBURSEMENTS

N/A

IV. *CORRESPONDENCE

- A. January 27, 2026. Letter of Support from Cirrus Aircraft to DAA Board of Directors RE: DAA's Commitment of Matching Funds in Connection With Its Application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) for Grant Funding.

V. OPPORTUNITY FOR PERSONS TO BE HEARD

VI. OLD BUSINESS

N/A

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution Approving the Encumbrance of Airport Operating Funds for EDA Grant Match.

VIII. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Items annotated by an asterisk () are approved by consent and require no discussion or action unless questioned by a Director (in accordance with resolution passed by Directors on March 19, 2002).*

January 27, 2026



Dante Tomassoni
Cirrus Aircraft
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Duluth, MN 55810

Duluth's Airport Authority Board of Directors

Provided via e-mail to: jkayser@duluthairport.com

Dear Board Members,

On behalf of Cirrus I am writing to formally express our strong support for Duluth Airport Authority's (DAA) commitment of matching funds in connection with its application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) for grant funding.

Cirrus is actively pursuing a strategic expansion initiative designed to enhance our operational capacity. If awarded, the EDA grant will play a critical role in enabling this expansion by helping to fund necessary infrastructure required for our expansion.

The matching funds commitment from the Duluth Airport Authority is a vital component of the grant application and demonstrates strong local and private-sector support—an important consideration in the EDA's evaluation process. Your support significantly strengthens the feasibility and impact of the proposed project.

Should the EDA grant be awarded, Cirrus is fully prepared to move forward with our expansion plans in accordance with the proposed timeline. We are confident this project will result in long-term economic growth and shared success for Cirrus, DAA, and the broader aviation cluster.

We sincerely appreciate the Board's consideration and support.

Sincerely,

Dante E. Tomassoni

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Director of Corporate Affairs

VII. - A. New Business

Resolution Approving the Encumbrance of Airport Operating Funds for EDA Grant Match

WHEREAS, the Duluth Airport Authority (DAA) recognizes the strategic importance of leveraging available grant opportunities to enhance airport infrastructure and to develop new revenue generating initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) administers grant programs to support economic development, infrastructure investment, and job creation; and

WHEREAS, the DAA has identified a proposed capital improvement project eligible for EDA funding consisting of (i) constructing a new taxiway located at the site of the former Hangar 101; and (ii) the rehabilitation of Hangar 104 Bays 7/8 and 9/10; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost is \$2,978,848, of which \$2,383,078 is anticipated to be funded through the EDA grant, subject to the requirement of a local match of \$595,770 to be provided by the DAA; and

WHEREAS, the DAA has determined that providing the required local matching funds in order to leverage the EDA grant funding is in the best interest of the DAA;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the DAA hereby approves the encumbrance of an estimated \$595,770 as the required local match for the proposed capital improvement project to leverage an estimated \$2,383,078 in EDA grant funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director and/or authorized staff of the DAA are hereby authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents and agreements required to apply for, accept, and administer the EDA grant funding and to carry out the intent of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Approved by the Duluth Airport Authority this 3rd day of February 2026.

President
Duluth Airport Authority

Date

Secretary
Duluth Airport Authority

Date