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Colorado Springs City Council 107 N. Nevada Avenue, Suite 300 Colorado Springs, CO 80903

RE: Letter of Support to authorize Economic Development Agreements (EDAs) with businesses performing commercial aeronautical activities off Airport within the Commercial Aeronautical Zone (CAZ)

Honorable President Bennett and Members of City Council:

The Colorado Springs Airport Advisory Commission has been fully briefed by Airport management regarding the proposed ordinance to streamline the prescribed process or negotiating and entering into Economic Development Agreements (EDAs) with perspective businesses performing commercial aeronautical activities off Airport within the CAZ.

The Airport Advisory Commission fully supports this endeavor because the proposed EDAs will enhance the City's economic development activities and complement the City's existing EDA guidelines.

The Airport Advisory Commission is committed to supporting the City's goal in continuing economic development activities at the Airport and feels strongly that the proposed ordinance follows that path by encouraging additional businesses to locate within the CAZ and provide commercial aeronautical activities to support businesses at the Airport.

The Airport Advisory Commission understands that streamlining the approval process will improve Airport management's negotiating strength to attract new and expanded businesses to the City. We, therefore, fully encourage City Council to approve the proposed ordinance.

Sincerely,

CC:

Andrew Biancur Chairman

Dan Gallagher, Director of Aviation, Colorado Springs Airport

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