

**DES MOINES AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD  
SUMMARY MINUTES OF MEETING  
Des Moines International Airport  
November 11, 2025**

**Call to Order and Roll Call:** 9:00 a.m.

**Chaired by:** Ms. Lauridsen Sand

**Present:** Mr. Christensen, Mr. Dickinson, Ms. Feeney, Mr. Feldmann,  
Ms. Lauridsen Sand

**This meeting was held in-person with a Zoom link also available. The public was provided ability to monitor, but not participate in, the meeting online via Zoom. The Airport Board Room, 2nd Floor, Airport Terminal, was also open to the public.**

**A25-122      Consider Minutes for October 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting**

Mr. Christensen moved to approve the minutes for the October 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting. Ms. Feeney seconded. Motion Carried: 5-0-0-0; Yeas: Christensen, Dickinson, Feeney, Feldmann, Lauridsen Sand; Nays: 0; Abstained: 0; Absent: 0.

**A25-123      Consider Change Order No. 23 for Parking Garage Expansion Project with The Weitz Company, LLC**

The Chief Development Officer stated Change Order No 23 finalizes the project costs. The Chief Development Officer stated there is a total of 13 items and one item made up approximately half of the cost of the change order. The Chief Development Officer stated this does not include liquidated damages for Weitz of \$166,500 which were included in Change Order No. 22.

The Chief Development Officer recommended the Board approve Change Order No. 23 to Parking Garage Expansion Project contract with The Weitz Company, LLC, increasing the amount of the contract by \$106,777.39 and authorize the Chief Development Officer to close out this contract and associated grant for the project when completed in accordance with the contract documents.

Mr. Feldmann moved to approve Change Order No. 23 to Parking Garage Expansion Project contract with The Weitz Company, LLC, increasing the amount of the contract by \$106,777.39 and authorize the Chief Development Officer to close out this contract and associated grant for the project when completed in accordance with the contract documents. Mr. Christensen seconded. Motion Carried: 5-0-0-0; Yeas: Christensen, Dickinson, Feeney, Feldmann, Lauridsen Sand; Nays: 0; Abstained: 0; Absent: 0.

**A25-124      Consider Resolution updating baseline budget for New Terminal Construction in the amount of \$557,100,000**

The Chief Development Officer stated the Project Management Committee (PMC) discussed how the overall costs of the Service Roadway project are being tracked within the project and overall budget. The PMC recommendation was to shift the Service Roadway project costs from being tracked in the Phase 1A budget to the Phase 1B East & Extension budget, reallocating \$1,943,527 between the two phases. This is an overall zero-dollar change.

The Project Management Committee recommended the Board approve the Resolution updating the total Baseline Budget for New Terminal Construction in the amount of \$557,100,000 and repeal any prior Resolutions establishing a Baseline Budget for the New Terminal Construction Project.

Mr. Christensen moved to approve the Resolution updating the total Baseline Budget for New Terminal Construction in the amount of \$557,100,000 and repeal any prior Resolutions establishing a Baseline Budget for the New Terminal Construction Project. Ms. Feeney seconded. Motion Carried: 5-0-0-0; Yeas: Christensen, Dickinson, Feeney, Feldmann, Lauridsen Sand; Nays: 0; Abstained: 0; Absent: 0.

**A25-125      Consider Contract for Public Address and Electronic Information Display System Replacement**

The Chief Information Officer stated Airport Authority staff conducted a Request for Proposal process to select a Public Address and Electronic Information Display System Replacement system for the new terminal since the current system has reached the end of its life cycle and is not viable for use in the new terminal. The new system will control all paging throughout the facility, as well as flight information screens and other electronic displays in the terminal. There were three responses to the Request for Proposal. Stratacache received the highest combined technical and financial score. The total cost for the Stratacache contract is \$1,461,109. The budget for this project was approved in the FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program for \$2,371,523.

The Chief Information Officer recommended the Board approve the Contract for Public Address and Electronic Information Display System Replacement with Stratacache in the amount of \$1,461,109.00 and authorize the Chief Information Officer to accept and close out this contract when completed in accordance with the contract documents.

Board members asked various questions which were answered by the Chief Information Officer.

Mr. Dickinson moved to approve the Contract for Public Address and Electronic Information Display System Replacement with Stratacache in the amount of \$1,461,109.00 and authorize the Chief Information Officer to accept and close out this contract when completed in accordance with the contract documents. Mr. Feldmann seconded. Motion Carried: 5-0-0-0; Yeas: Christensen, Dickinson, Feeney, Feldmann, Lauridsen Sand; Nays: 0; Abstained: 0; Absent: 0.

**A25-126      Consider Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget**

The Chief Financial Officer stated the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget was provided to the Board at the October 14, 2025, Des Moines Airport Authority Board meeting. The Airline budget consultation meeting, which is required by the Airline Operating and Use Agreement, was held on October 10, 2025. No further changes have been made since the last presentation.

The Chief Financial Officer recommended the Board approve the Fiscal Year 2026 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget.

Mr. Christensen moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2026 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget. Ms. Feeney seconded. Motion Carried: 5-0-0-0; Yeas: Christensen, Dickinson, Feeney, Feldmann, Lauridsen Sand; Nays: 0; Abstained: 0; Absent: 0.

**A25-127      Consider Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 Rates and Charges Document**

The Chief Financial Officer stated the Rates and Charges document was reviewed in developing the 2026 Budget and it is necessary for the Board to approve the document. The Board was provided a redlined document and a clean document for review.

The Chief Financial Officer stated there are minor adjustments to parking rates which will occur when the new rental car facility opens in 2026.

The Chief Financial Officer recommended the Board approve the Fiscal Year 2026 Rates and Charges Document.

Mr. Feldmann moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2026 Rates and Charges Document. Mr. Dickinson seconded. Motion Carried: 5-0-0-0; Yeas: Christensen, Dickinson, Feeney, Feldmann, Lauridsen Sand; Nays: 0; Abstained: 0; Absent: 0.

**A25-128****Financial Report**

- The Chief Financial Officer reported:
  - Revenue
    - Excluding the interest income, the total revenue is 2.3% above budget and 4.4% above the same period from the previous year.
  - Expenses
    - Nothing significant to report.
  - Cash
    - Total cash is down as expected.
    - Received reimbursement of \$13.5M from Federal AIP grant.
    - Spent \$18.5M on terminal construction project.
- Ms. Lauridsen Sand asked if there is anything on the forefront regarding scheduled payments pertaining to the federal government shutdown if the federal government doesn't reopen soon. The Chief Financial Officer stated there was a little delay in State of Iowa reimbursements, but that was due to timing. The Chief Financial Officer stated the federal government shutdown has not impacted the timing of federal and state reimbursements to the airport. The Chief Development Officer stated the automated FAA Delphi system is still up and running.

**A25-129****Briefing**

- The Chief Operations Officer reported:
  - October 2025 taxi statistics.
  - October 2025 passenger statistics are not yet available.
  - October 2025 summary statistics.
  - The new deicing pad was used by Integrated Deicing Services this month. It worked very well. The average amount of time to deice was eight minutes compared to the prior average of 20 minutes. There are ten trucks now versus 8 trucks in the past.
    - Mr. Feldmann asked if there are limitations during deicing events. The Chief Operating Officer stated deicing can't occur when winds are 45 mph or higher. The Chief Executive Officer stated there may still be delays with ice events.
- The Chief Executive Officer reported:
  - Flight restrictions are still in effect due to the federal government shutdown. The number of canceled flights since last Friday to the current date were shared with the Board.
    - Board members asked some questions which were answered by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer.
  - Aero Service Group and the Rapid Relief Team have been offering complimentary meals to airport federal employees since they are not getting paid. The airport has not seen a reduction in airport federal employee staffing during the federal government shutdown. The Airport Authority plans to show gratitude to these employees with a complimentary lunch once the federal government shutdown ends.
  - Mr. Matt Anderson, City of Des Moines Deputy City Manager, asked the Airport Authority to present at a workshop for the Des Moines City Council on December 8, 2025, at 7:30 a.m. Mr. Anderson stated all

Board members are welcome to attend. Mr. Anderson stated the 30-minute presentation can include an update on the new terminal as well as any accolades the Airport Authority has received. The Chief Executive Officer stated he and the Chief Development Officer would present to the Des Moines City Council. Mr. Christensen suggested the presentation include what the Board is authorized to do. Mr. Christensen also suggested the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Development Officer leave the City Council with three points they can easily talk about with citizens. Ms. Lauridsen Sand suggested information about the new deicing pad be included in the City Council presentation. Mr. Anderson asked the Chief Executive Officer to provide him with his presentation a week before the workshop. The Chief Executive Officer stated he would share the presentation with the Board prior to the workshop so Board members can provide comments. Mr. Christensen suggested the new City Council member be invited to do a tour of the new terminal.

- A tour of the new terminal for state legislators is scheduled for November 18, 2025.
- Runway 5/23 is open for the winter season. It will close in Spring 2026.
- Risk Register
  - One item is still in red:
    - Roof workmanship.
  - Two items are in yellow:
    - Rental Car Center
      - Don't have an asphalt parking lot yet which may delay the Rental Car Center opening until Spring 2026.
    - Cowles Drive/Terminal Way
      - Schedule for getting this open. Fair amount of work needs to be done.
  - Board members asked some questions which were answered by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Development Officer.

#### **A25-130      Next Meeting**

- December 9, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

**A25-131      Adjourn**

Mr. Dickinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Christensen seconded. Motion  
Carried: 5-0-0-0; Yeas: Christensen, Dickinson, Feeney, Feldmann, Lauridsen Sand;  
Nays: 0; Abstained: 0; Absent: 0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

**Respectfully Submitted:**



**Jessica Feeney**  
**Secretary/Treasurer**



**Mary Benson**  
**Board Clerk**