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MEMORANDUM

TO Mayor and Council

FROM Sondra Creighton, P E , Director
Public Works Department

DATE December 13, 2006

SUBJECT Item #18, Approve a resolution to authorize the fee simple acquisition of 5106 General Aviation Avenue, from Curtis L. Delancey, Trustee of the Curtis L Delancey Family Trust for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Master Plan Update

Regarding Item #18, Fee Simple Acquisition for Curtis L. Delancey, for the December 14th Council agenda, I have additional information to share. This week the item went before the Austin Airport Advisory Commission and the Board voted (2 yay and 3 nay) to not approve the purchase of the property. The Board expressed concerns about the price. Nonetheless, Jim Smith, Aviation Department Director, and I believe it is in the best interest of the City to acquire this property for the following reasons

- This property is the last parcel to be acquired within the airport footprint and contributes to the long term Master Plan,
- The City attempted to purchase this lot previously and the price was significantly higher,
- The value of the lot is consistent with the appraisal conducted by J L Craft & Associates on November 15, 2006.

For these reasons, we recommend that Council approve the acquisition of this lot

Sondra Creighton, P E., Director
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Jim Smith, Director, Aviation Department