



Date of Council Meeting: July 26, 2016

**TOWN OF LEESBURG
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Subject: Remote Control Tower Test Program.

Staff Contact: Scott Coffman, Airport Manager

Council Action Requested: To extend the Memorandum of Agreement with Saab Sensis and Virginia SATS Lab Inc. until September 30, 2017 for the Remote Control Tower Test Program.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends Council approve an extension to the Memorandum of Agreement with Saab Sensis and Virginia SATS Lab Inc for the Remote Control Tower Test Program.

Commission Recommendation: The Airport Commission endorsed an extension to the Memorandum of Agreement with Saab Sensis and Virginia SATS Lab Inc for the Remote Control Tower Test Program.

Fiscal Impact: Saab Sensis will reimburse the Town for electricity used by the Remote Control Tower System at an amount of \$800.00 per month.

Work Plan Impact: None.

Executive Summary: An extension until September 30, 2017 has been requested by Saab Sensis and Virginia SATS Lab Inc. in order to complete an evaluation of the Remote Control Tower system.

Background: Saab Sensis and Virginia SATS Lab Inc. have requested an amendment extending the Memorandum of Agreement until September 30, 2017. The Remote Control Tower Test Program continues to have significant FAA resources allocated to evaluate the technology for deployment at the Leesburg Executive Airport and elsewhere in the US. The evaluation timeline is anticipated to extend through summer of 2017, and will include periods of active control tower operations at the Leesburg Executive Airport.

Saab Sensis will reimburse the Town for electricity used by the Remote Control Tower System in the amount of \$800.00 each month the system is in use. This amount was calculated from historical usage and energy saving features now incorporated into the system.

Attachments: Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement
Resolution

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
SAAB SENSIS CORPORATION
AND
VIRGINIA SATSLAB, INC.
AND
TOWN OF LEESBURG, VIRGINIA
REGARDING REMOTE CONTROL TOWER TEST PROGRAM**

AMENDMENT #1

This agreement is effective on the __ day of May 2016, by and between SAAB SENSIS CORPORATION ("SAAB") and VIRGINIA SATSLAB, INC. ("VSATS") and the TOWN OF LEESBURG, VIRGINIA (the "TOWN" and "Town"). (The TOWN, SAAB and VSATS are collectively referred to as the "Parties" and "parties.")

In consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, the parties agree to amend and modify the October 7, 2014 Memorandum of Agreement as follows:

1. Section 2. Term
 - a. Amend Section 2.01 ending date to September 30, 2017.

2. Section 11. Notices
 - a. Amend Section 11.01 as follows:
 - SAAB Point of Contact – remove Josh Gaul and add John Namyak
 - Remove Stefan Carlos

In all other respects not specifically mentioned or altered by Amendment, the original Memorandum of Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

The TOWN:

Town of Leesburg, VA, a Municipal Corporation

By: _____

Name:

Title:

SAAB:

By: _____

Name:

Title:

VSATS:

By: _____

Name:

Title:

**APPROVED AS TO FORM
BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY**

By: _____

Barbara Notar

Town of Leesburg, VA Attorney

PRESENTED: July 26, 2016

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-

ADOPTED: _____

A RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT EXTENDING THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH SAAB SENSIS AND VIRGINIA SATS LAB INC. TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 FOR THE REMOTE CONTROL TOWER TEST PROGRAM AT THE LEESBURG EXECUTIVE AIRPORT

WHEREAS, the Town of Leesburg executed a Memorandum of Agreement with SAAB Sensis Corporation and Virginia SATS Lab Inc. on October 7, 2014 to establish a remote control tower test at the Leesburg Executive Airport; and

WHEREAS, SAAB Sensis Corporation and Virginia SATS Lab Inc. desire to extend the ending date of the Memorandum of Agreement until September 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Commission endorsed the extension to the Memorandum of Agreement at its regular meeting on July 7, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that the successful operation of the remote air traffic control system would be beneficial to the Town's airport operations; and

THEREFORE, RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Leesburg in Virginia as follows:

Authorize the Town Manager to execute an Amendment extending the Memorandum of Agreement with SAAB Sensis Corporation and Virginia SATS Lab Inc. to September 30, 2017 for the Remote Control Tower Test Program at the Leesburg Executive Airport is hereby approved.

PASSED this 26th day of July, 2016.

David S. Butler, Mayor
Town of Leesburg

ATTEST: