Passenger Fee Proceeds Committee – 2006 March 23, 2006

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Audience: Lorene Palmer, Kirby Day, John Stone, Marc Matsil, Steve Byers,

Rod gives basic info. Work down the memo item by item.

General Support:

GF, cant’ change for this year, but when considering funding Fisheries Business Tax D&H Board. Is it worthwhile talking to the Assembly about pulling this PAX fee money out of General support and assigning it to a revenue bond project thing. Not for this year, but maybe something to look at. RS says it might make the $$ go farther.

DG, passes out the standard “this is what you can use the money for” documents.

RS: undertook evaluation, full cost evaluation, industry’s accountants accepted it.

Air Medevac

Support fire department provides in terms of air medevac service $$ that are not recovered all for crew, passengers, ship related incidents. What are hospitals costs? Hospital has not requested any funding. Can we find out hospital costs? DG where is the supporting documentation? Industry doesn’t have this problem in Skagway Haines or Hoonah. Entered into an agreement with Temsco, they get paid first, we are second on the list and we’re not getting paid.

GF – supportable. But let’s find out about Bartlett.

DG – what’s the ratio compared to other unrecoverable costs?

Airlift Northwest

Same issue, different group. DG wants us to spread it around to other businesses in SE. None of the others are based here. DG objects to them being funded. KD, do they have more recent costs? RP will this open the door for others? Of course.

TBMP

Done.
Crossing Guards

JPD had it, harbors had it for 2 years. The plan is JCVB may take it over this year. Coordinate coverage better. LP meeting at 2 PM today to try and work it out. DE project needs to be done right or not at all. RS moving in the right direction, someone needs to be able to focus on it. JCVB – oversight committee, thmp rep, cji. Jcvb will be the funding agency. It may need to be in harbors for this season. This $$$ kicks in July 1, 2006 for FY07. Harbors will give $$$ to get the program up before that.

Downtown Foot Patrol

JPD is normally down there, these are officers that sign up for volunteer overtime hours. School Officers are tapped into and it is also personal time that is being signed up for. Must be LE personnel not just regular persons. Goals? Sometimes 2, sometimes more. CT-Homeland Security Money for it? No operational monies usually.

Restroom Maintenance

Up by $5000. Bid out every year. DG thinks it is 3 times too high.

Downtown Cleaning

Everyone likes it.

Transit Public Bus Service

DG objects to this.

JCVB

Doesn’t cover the whole cost of the visitor program. CT do JCVB go on board? JCVB has a couple of on board people handing out maps.

Collaboration Juneau

$30K request. Funded in the past, Assembly granted.

CAPITAL PROJECTS.

Street Widening

Vacant lot near timberwolf, between there and library. Temporary widening.
Tourism Survey –

Discussed with full Assembly. Interested. McDowell to do survey. Industry supportive. JCVB, this dovetails with CJI goals. Need good data. RP, every couple of years? Yes, this was done before in 2002.

Port Security Improvements

Request from Harbors, contingency funding. $15K is not nearly enough. They need $100K minimum.

Shoreside Power Project

CT $6M is way over the top. Seattle did it for $1.8 million. CT would like to have an audit done. DE $3M only going to be reimbursed. CT Audit the package. Emission reduction-this is a leading project in the world, per John Stone. $3M on ship benefits Princess all over the world, per Kirby. At the time it was groundbreaking, and more expensive.

Civil Air Patrol

It’s one-time money.

Waterfront Seawalk

GF, initial look was for the southern section, redirected to middle section. Not earmarked for section. This is an arbitrary number, and subject to change. It came from funding everything else and seeing what was left over. DG appreciates this money being put in here. We can move things around some.

Statter Harbor EIS

Extreme safety issue to separate tourism activities from private and commercial users.

Marine Park Lightering Ramp and Float

It’s been on, it’s been off. Frustration. This is a need. DG good use of money, but add a clause to move money to future docks and harbor project if they don’t use it for this. DE must rebuild lightering dock immediately or we will have problems. Will not hold up to heavy use. This must be done. Don’t earmark this for something else when there is a definite need for repairing this lightering dock and ramp right now. D&H doesn’t support using IVF. KD must do this now, but
Marine Park Vendor & Passenger Pavillion

Give this up and add to lightering project.

Stephen Byers: presents his proposals for the Ambassadors.

George Reifenstein: DG supports his request. They are required to provide public restrooms and pay water and sewer costs as part of owning a business.

Cover letter. Copy out to all. Will let you all know when the finance meeting is.

The end.

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