

PUBLIC NOTICE

Nantucket Memorial Airport

Intention to File a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Application

The Nantucket Memorial Airport (ACK), is posting this public notice as part of the Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) application process under 14 CFR §158.24. ACK intends to file a PFC Application with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) which includes four “Impose & Use” projects.

The following projects are included in the application to impose a PFC and use the PFC revenue (“Impose & Use”):

- **Passenger Terminal Building Renovation & Expansion**
 - **PFC Revenue:** \$7,501,554 (23% of the Total Project Cost)
 - **Description:** The project included improvements to the airport passenger terminal. The previous airport terminal was approximately 14,900 gross square feet and was operationally inefficient. An expansion to the terminal of approximately 17,200 square feet was constructed, as well as renovations to the existing terminal. Upgrades were required for new security requirements including passenger screening, baggage screening, and access control. Major infrastructure upgrades (heating, ventilation, plumbing, electrical, and life safety) were also required. Terminal improvements included renovations and new construction. Work included an expanded ticketing lobby, airline offices, baggage operations, screening areas, a restaurant, TSA offices, and secure/non-secure holding rooms. Approximately 59% of the area constructed or renovated has been identified as eligible for funding through the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) or PFCs. Excluding financing costs, approximately 58.5% of the development would be funded utilizing AIP and PFC funds.
 - **Justification:** The airport passenger terminal was previously operationally inefficient and required renovation and expansion to meet requirements necessary to maintain a safe, secure, and operational airport. The terminal renovation and expansion project was completed to enhance capacity and promote increased competition at the airport.

- **Re-Align & Widen South Apron Taxiway Connector**
 - **PFC Revenue:** \$16,833 (2.5% of the Total Project Cost)
 - **Description:** Changes in fleet mix on the South Apron and operational procedures have increased the necessity for larger sized aircraft to utilize the existing 25 foot wide taxiway connector; however, the larger aircraft require a wider taxiway paved area. The project proposes to widen the 25 foot taxiway connector to 50 feet wide. However, FAA AC 150/5300-13A recommends a shift of the taxiway towards the southeast so it will not line up directly with existing Taxiway D onto Runway 6-24. This project proposes to widen and re-align the taxiway connector. In order to

establish the proposed 50 foot wide re-aligned taxiway, a 12.5 foot wide strip of pavement on the existing South Apron is needed to allow for an adequate taxiway to and from this proposed connector.

- **Justification:** The existing south apron taxiway connector lacks the width to accommodate aircraft currently using the airport and maintains an alignment that no longer meets FAA requirements. The completion of this project is necessary to ensure the taxiway connector meets the requirements for aircraft utilizing the airport while also complying with all current FAA requirements. The project to re-align and widen the south apron taxiway connector is being completed to enhance safety for aircraft operating at Nantucket Memorial Airport.

- **Airport Master Plan & Sustainability Program**
 - **PFC Revenue:** \$24,487 (2.5% of the Total Project Cost)
 - **Description:** The Airport Commission continues to strive to make improvements to the airport that will enhance its safety. Several safety and capacity issues face the airport due to its role in serving as a national and international tourist destination. The work tasks to be completed address a range of airfield infrastructure, landside facilities and environmental compliance needs. The Master Plan will identify future facility improvements, prepare a Capital Improvement Plan and a Financial Feasibility Plan, and coordinate with sustainability goals to reduce the airport's carbon footprint. The Master Plan will also include preparation of an Environmental Notification Form (ENF) that will coordinate future environmental review requirements with state and federal permitting agencies.
 - **Justification:** To address the safety and capacity issues that face the airport, a Master Plan Update is required to identify problem areas and provide recommendations for improvements. The Master Plan will provide a physical blueprint and financial plan for the airport's facilities that meets future needs as necessary to maintain a safe, operationally efficient, and environmental sustainable airport.

- **PFC Program Administration**
 - **PFC Revenue:** \$35,000 (100% of the Total Project Cost)
 - **Description:** The proposed project includes necessary costs associated with the administration of the proposed PFC program at the Nantucket Memorial Airport. As noted in FAA Order 5500.1 and 14 CFR 158, the costs of administering a PFC program are eligible and public agencies may choose to accomplish these tasks through a consultant, internal personnel, or a combination of the two. This proposed project will include compilation of the PFC application materials, confirmation of enplanement forecasts, required coordination, and assistance with collections monitoring and quarterly reporting, as well as additional tasks associated with the commencement and maintenance of the PFC program.
 - **Justification:** 14 CFR 158 and FAA Order 5500.1 states that an airport's costs of administering the PFC program are eligible for PFC reimbursement. These PFC administration costs, which can include the costs of preparing, coordinating, and submitting a PFC application, as well as maintaining an existing program, must be identified as a separate PFC project.

The proposed PFC level of collection is **\$4.50** per eligible enplaned passenger for all projects. The estimated charge effective date is **March 1, 2014**, and the estimated charge expiration date is **January 1, 2025**. The estimated PFC revenue to be collected during this period is approximately **\$7,577,874**.

As required under 14 CFR 158.24, the Town of Nantucket will be accepting public comments on the proposed application until **5:00pm** on **Friday, December 20, 2013**. Questions and comments regarding the proposed PFC application, including agreement or disagreement with any of the proposed projects, or requests for additional information, should be addressed to:

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