RESOLUTION NO. 274-2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TO AWARD THE AIR TANKER RAMP CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO WEBBER, LLC

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene (City) owns and operates Abilene Regional Airport (ABI); and

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M (TAMU) Forest Service has activated an Air Tanker Base at ABI for many years to support wildland fire fighting operations around the state; and

WHEREAS, ABI has seen the air tanker activity and aircraft size increase over these years and has had to accommodate the operations in various areas of the airport; and

WHEREAS, because of the size and weight of the aircraft being used at ABI now, primarily Large Air Tankers (LATs), ABI moved the operation to the west side of the Terminal Ramp; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature funded \$20,000,000 in a TXDOT grant to the City of Abilene to design and construct a ramp to serve the air tankers' needs; and

WHEREAS, the city conducted a Request for Bids (CB-2483) and opened two construction bids on September 19, 2024. The lower bid from Webber, LLC was in the amount of \$26,521,860.00; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Development Board approved its recommendation in favor of Webber, LLC at its October 9, 2024 meeting.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

- 1. That the City Manager is authorized to enter into the construction contract with Webber, LLC.
- 2. That this Resolution takes effect immediately upon Council approval.

ADOPTED this 21st day of November 2024.

ATTEST:

Shawna Atkinson, City Secretary

Weldon Hurt, Mayor

Stanley Solith, City Attorney