

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 02 (2019/20)

Re: **Designating the Sheboygan County Memorial Airport as a U.S. Customs Service "User Fee" Airport and Entering into an Agreement with Kohler Co. for Funding**

WHEREAS, Kohler Co., a current user and hangar leaseholder at the Sheboygan County Memorial Airport, as well as other users and hangar leaseholders, feel that having a "user fee" designation for customs service would be useful for global Airport use, and

WHEREAS, the Sheboygan County Memorial Airport is eligible for designation as a "user fee" airport whereby the expense of the customs officers or employees in accepting entries of merchandise, clearing passengers, collecting duties, and enforcing the various provisions of customs and related laws would be borne by Sheboygan County and passed through to Kohler Co. through a Funding Agreement, a copy of which is on file in the County Clerk's Office, and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is in the process of designating the Airport as a "user fee" airport allowing for customs services, subject to final approvals and the entering into of a Memorandum of Agreement between the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and Sheboygan County, a template of which is on file in the County Clerk's Office, and

WHEREAS, it is projected that the first year's cost of the U.S. Customs officer will be \$140,874 and the cost of succeeding years will be \$123,438 subject to adjustment for wage increases, and

WHEREAS, the construction of a facility for U.S. Customs services is part of the County's five-year capital plan, and

WHEREAS, having a "user fee" designation for the Airport and the U.S. Customs services would have positive economic benefits to Sheboygan County and its citizens through increased Airport fuel sales and tourism activity such as the Ryder Cup in 2020 and Road America, as well as an option for commercial use for local businesses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Sheboygan County enter into a contract drafted to the satisfaction of the Corporation Counsel and approved by the Executive Committee providing that Kohler Co. pay the expenses associated with staffing of the U.S. Customs facility at the Sheboygan County Memorial Airport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the satisfactory entry into the Agreement with Kohler Co. committing them to pay such expenses, Sheboygan County enter a Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, for the designation of the Sheboygan County Memorial Airport as a "user fee" airport, to enter into any lease agreement for such customs use, and to take such other actions as are necessary to accomplish this designation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any prior Resolutions regarding a "user fee" designation at the Sheboygan County Memorial Airport shall be repealed to the extent such Resolution is inconsistent herewith.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of May, 2019.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Opposed to Introduction:

Adopted 06/18/19