

# UPDATE TO VOLUNTARY STATEMENT REGARDING IMPACTS OF COVID-19

## Relating to:

#### MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

Senior Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A (Non-AMT) Senior Airport Revenue Bonds, Series 2016C (Non-AMT) (collectively, the "*Senior Bonds*")

Subordinate Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2011A (Non-AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012B (Tax-Exempt – Non-AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014A (Non-AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014B (AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016B (Non-AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue Bonds, Series 2016D (Non-AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue Bonds, Series 2016E (Taxable)
Subordinate Airport Revenue and Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2019A (Governmental/Non-AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue and Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2019B (Private Activity/AMT)
Subordinate Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2019C (Private Activity/Non-AMT)
(collectively, the "Subordinate Bonds")
Base CUSIP: 603827

Dated: September 9, 2021

On June 3, 2021, the Metropolitan Airports Commission (the "Commission" or "MAC") provided an "Update to Voluntary Statement Regarding Impacts of COVID-19" (the "June 2021 Statement"), which described some of the impacts that the COVID-19 pandemic had, and continued to have, on passenger traffic at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (the "Airport") and on the Commission's finances, and described some of the actions that the Commission had taken, and was taking, in response to the pandemic. This Update to Voluntary Statement Regarding Impacts of COVID-19 (this "Update") is being furnished by the Commission to provide certain updates with respect to passenger traffic at the Airport and the Commission's finances that have occurred since the June 2021 Statement. The filing of this Update is made voluntarily by the Commission, without an intention to provide any update to this Update or its subject matter or to file similar voluntary statements in the future. Any obligation to do so is expressly disclaimed.

### **Background**

Over the past seventeen months, the worldwide outbreak of novel coronavirus SARA-CoV-2 ("COVID-19") has caused, and continues to cause, significant disruptions to domestic and international air travel. The virus has also impacted the conduct of day-to-day business in the United States and throughout the world. The United States government and governments of other countries are monitoring the virus to determine travel restrictions and warnings. The Delta variant is causing COVID-19 cases to increase particularly among the unvaccinated. This variant is causing new uncertainty in the marketplace and could potentially soften the market for travel in certain destinations. MAC will be watching closely and is prepared to adapt as necessary.

Governor Walz ended the COVID-19 peacetime emergency on July 1. According to the Governor, "we built testing sites from the ground up, we secured emergency personal protective equipment to protect our healthcare workers and the frontlines, and we developed a nation-leading vaccination program to get life-savings shots into the arms of Minnesotans."

The MAC is continually monitoring COVID related guidance from Federal and Local agencies and reviewing existing policies and health safety plans to ensure they are current.

The Commission has invested and continues to invest resources in an enhanced cleaning regimen, including the formation of high touch point disinfection teams to focus on cleaning door handles, light switches, restroom fixtures, elevator call buttons, handrails, and TSA passenger screening tables, binds and baggage rollers. In addition, the Commission has instituted overnight electrostatic disinfectant spraying – commonly referred to as fogging – in the public spaces of both Terminals 1 and 2 at the Airport to enhance passenger safety.

### **Enplanements**

During calendar year 2020, enplanements at the Airport decreased by 62.5% as compared to calendar year 2019. Beginning in March 2021, enplanements at the Airport began to increase compared to the same period in 2020. The following table shows monthly enplanements at the Airport for calendar years 2019, 2020 and 2021 (first seven months only) and percent change from 2021 compared to 2019.

Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport Enplanements 2019, 2020 and 2021 Calendar Years

Month	2019	2020	2021	% Change 2021 vs. 2019			
January	1,385,714	1,472,573	549,637	(60.3%)			
February	1,323,615	1,438,475	575,313	(56.5%)			
March	1,778,471	831,321	882,993	(50.4%)			
April	1,517,998	70,492	805,280	(47.0%)			
May	1,662,439	138,760	1,023,836	(38.4%)			
June	1,827,624	254,312	1,206,423	(34.0%)			
July	1,918,669	472,528	1,432,491	(25.3%)			
August	1,915,988	567,563					
September	1,629,734	519,169					
October	1,699,277	587,602					
November	1,486,197	504,130					
December	1,637,654	558,278					
Total	19,783,380	<u>7,415,203</u>					

Source: Metropolitan Airports Commission

## **Financial Condition and Liquidity**

*General*. The Commission is still experiencing, and expects to continue to experience, a decrease in revenues compared to 2019 levels because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Commission's revenues are mainly dependent on aviation activity and passenger traffic at the Airport, on the financial performance of the concessionaires and rental auto companies serving the Airport and on the overall financial health of the airline and travel industries.

Federal Aid Related to COVID-19. The United States government has taken legislative and regulatory actions and has implemented measures to mitigate the broad disruptive effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act"), approved by the United States Congress and signed by the President on March 27, 2020, includes among its relief measures direct aid in the form of grants for airports as well as direct aid, loans and loan guarantees for passenger and cargo airlines.

The Commission was awarded \$125,852,962 in CARES Act funds (the "*CARES Act Funds*"), not including an additional amount increasing the federal share to 100% for federal fiscal year 2020 Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants. The Commission has drawn approximately \$108.8 million of the CARES Act Funds and expects to draw the remaining approximately \$17 million in 2021.

On March 13, 2020, the President declared the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic of sufficient severity to warrant an emergency declaration for purposes of obtaining disaster assistance through the Public

Assistance program administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA"). The Commission has taken appropriate measures to ensure it will be able to apply for FEMA funding at the appropriate time. The Commission anticipates approximately \$3 million in FEMA funding will be received later in 2021 by the Commission.

On December 27, 2020, the President signed into law the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act ("CRRSAA"). CRRSAA provides \$2 billion in funds to U.S. airports and eligible concessions at those airports. The Commission was awarded \$33,615,863 in CRRSAA funds, including \$4,192,835 in concession relief. To date, the Commission has not drawn any of the CRRSAA funds but expects to draw the funds in 2021.

Additionally, on March 11, 2021, the President signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA"). ARPA provides \$8 billion in funds to U.S. airports and eligible concessions at those airports. The Commission was awarded \$135,284,602 in ARPA funds, including \$16,442,491 in concessions relief. To date, the Commission has not drawn any of the ARPA funds and anticipates using the funds over the next couple of years based on actual performance in 2022 and beyond.

The Commission continues to evaluate and seek other available sources of state and federal aid as they become available.

## Estimated Financial Results and Availability of Funds.

<u>Liquidity and Available Funds for Operations and Debt Service on Senior and Subordinate Bonds</u>. As of July 31, 2021, the Commission had the following unrestricted funds and investments on hand that could be used for all operating expenses of the Commission and to pay debt service on the Senior and Subordinate Bonds.

#### **Unrestricted Cash and Investments**

Cash and investments	\$88,868,068
Cash designated for capital projects	71,985,182
Operation and Maintenance Reserve Account	106,251,681
Other	1,139,772
Total Unrestricted Cash and Investments	\$268,244,703

In addition to the unrestricted funds and investments, the Commission had the following restricted funds and investments on hand (or held by the bond trustees) as of July 31, 2021:

### Restricted Cash and Investments (excluding Customer Facility Charges)

Passenger Facility Charges	\$27,961,176
Bond proceeds held by Trustee – Construction	124,259,381
OPEB Trust Fund	78,526,608
Line of Credit – Construction	5,167,260
Debt Service Funds held by Trustee – Debt Service	8,058,296
Debt Service Reserve Funds held by Trustee	114,940,183
Police Funds	<u>2,200,688</u>
Total Restricted Cash and Investments	\$361,113,592

On September 3, 2021, the Commission entered into a credit agreement with CN Financing, Inc. (a subsidiary of City National Bank), which provides the Commission a \$150 million revolving line of credit for a 3-year term. The CN Financing revolving line of credit replaced the expiring \$100 million revolving line of credit provided by Wells Fargo Bank, National Association. The Commission uses the revolving line of credit to interim fund capital projects. As of the date hereof, the Commission had drawn approximately \$64.8 million on the CN Financing revolving line of credit.

## Fiscal Year 2021 Unaudited YTD Monthly Finance Report

Total unaudited operating revenue through the 2nd Quarter of 2021 is under budget by \$15.2 million or 10.5 percent. Total unaudited operating expenses are under budget by \$1.1 million or 1.3 percent.

Monthly Financial Report								
As of June 2021							_	
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		Year to	Date					
	2021		2021		\$		%	
	Actual		Budget		Variance		Variance	
Total Operating Revenue	\$	129,607	\$ 1	44,844	\$	(15,237)	-10.5%	
Total Operating Expenses		87,116		88,246		1,130	1.3%	
Net Operating Revenue		42,491	\$	56,598	\$	(14,107)	-24.9%	
Non-Operating								
Revenue/(Expenses)		(23,740)		(27,889)		(4,149)	14.9%	
Net Revenue		18,751	\$	28,709	\$	(9,958)		

The Commission submitted a CARES Act grant reimbursement for a portion of debt service in the amount of \$16.9 million on June 28, 2021. The reimbursement was received on August 12, 2021, which is not reflected in these totals.

#### **Important Notes Regarding this Update**

Notwithstanding anything in this Update to the contrary, the Commission cannot predict (a) the duration or extent of the COVID-19 pandemic; (b) the duration or expansion of travel restrictions and warnings; (c) whether additional countries or destinations will be added to the travel restrictions or warnings (d) what long- and short-term effect the COVID-19 pandemic-related travel restrictions or warnings may have on demand for air travel, including to and from the Airport, and on the Commission's costs or revenues; (e) to what extent the COVID-19 pandemic will disrupt the local or global economy, manufacturing or supply chain, or to what extent any such disruption will adversely impact construction or other operations at the Airport; (f) to what extent the COVID-19 pandemic may result in changes in demand for travel or impact the airlines serving the Airport, the Airport's concessionaires, or the airline and travel industry generally; (g) whether or to what extent the Commission may provide any further deferrals, forbearances, adjustment or other changes to the Commission's arrangements with its counterparties and whether its counterparties will fully perform their obligations under the temporary relief programs described herein; or (h) whether any of the foregoing may have a material adverse effect on the finances and operations of the Commission.

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