

**CITY OF BUCKEYE
Council Workshop Agenda
COUNCIL ACTION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 07/07/26	AGENDA ITEM: 2.B. Airport Development and Planning Update
DATE PREPARED: 07/02/26	DISTRICT NO.: 1
STAFF LIAISON: Scott Gray, Aviation Director, sgray@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6885	
DEPARTMENT: Buckeye Municipal Airport	AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Workshop Item

TIME NEEDED: 90 Minutes

ACTION/MOTION: (This language identifies the formal motion to be made by the Council)
Presentation and discussion regarding the airport development and ongoing planning projects.
(Approximate time: 1.5 hours)

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOCUS AREAS:
Economic Growth

SUMMARY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Buckeye Municipal Airport (BXK) is a key regional economic asset positioned for long-term growth. Multiple coordinated planning efforts are underway to support its development, infrastructure readiness, and economic potential. While each is independent, they are all strategically linked to support one another. These four major studies form the roadmap for BXK:

- **Airport Long-Range Concept (ALRC):** This plan being performed by Coffman Associates/KSA establishes the Airport Long-Range Concept (ALRC) and evaluates long-term development options/impacts, airspace, noise contours, and provides for stakeholder outreach. The consultant is conducting a review of historical and existing data, determining development options/impacts for further examination, and developing an evaluation matrix for use and refinement during key stakeholder meetings in late June. Following the Council workshop, the consultant will continue significant outreach efforts through key stakeholder meetings, public meetings, draft recommendations, and presentation and discussion of the findings at a Council workshop in September. Incorporating Council input from the workshop, the ALRC will be brought forward to Council for consideration to adopt at a following meeting.
- **Airport Strategic Implementation Plan (ASIP):** This plan being performed by Kimley Horn focuses on required utilities to support the adopted Airport Master Plan (AMP) and the Airport Long Range Concept (ALRC) as well as corresponding funding strategies and long-term financial planning. Required utilities include water, wastewater, electricity and fiber. The consultant has completed the inventory phase and will provide recommended utility improvements required to support both the AMP and ALRC in July.
- **Airport Specific Area Plan (ASAP):** This plan being performed by Logan Simpson is intended to guide land use, development standards, and community engagement for the Airport Activity Center identified within the City's General Plan utilizing the results from the ALRC. The initial Council Workshop was conducted in April and will be followed by significant stakeholder outreach, including community meetings, stakeholder interviews, focus groups, and workshops with the P&Z Commission and Council. Council will be provided with recommendations in late 2026, with planned consideration to adopt in early 2027.
- **Marketing, sector targeting, and lead generation:** The City contracted with Golden Shovel to

conduct marketing, sector targeting, and lead generation aligned with BXK's AMP and ALRC development visions. Significant stakeholder efforts have already been completed, including a public survey, over 30 interviews, and more than 60 digital questionnaires. The consultant has prepared a draft report to identify aviation sectors that can be accommodated with various runway lengths and market synergy, and the results will be presented to the Council at the July 7th Workshop. Following the Workshop, the consultant will assist focusing efforts on developing the Lead Generation Campaign.

BENEFITS:

The completion of these various planning efforts will be crucial in the advancement of BXK in serving both the aviation community and the citizens of Buckeye into the foreseeable future. These studies will create a systematic approach to attracting aviation related users to the airport and plan for the infrastructure needs to support the long-term development.

FUTURE ACTION:

The Airport Long-Range Concept will be presented in another Council Workshop in September, 2026, where detailed evaluation criteria will have been completed and a recommended concept will be provided. The adoption of the Long-Range Concept is anticipated for the September/October, 2026 Council agenda.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

No financial impacts associated with reviewing Airport development and planning projects.

Items related to a project or facility location must include an attached vicinity map for Council Review.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Airport Development Plans Update - CC Workshop 7-7-26 - Final.pdf](#)