

**Public Notice – Passenger Facility Charge PFC Application No. 5
Amendment No. 2
Charlotte Douglas International Airport**

Effective: December 6, 2021

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 158.24, the city of Charlotte (“City”), owner and operator of the Charlotte Douglas International Airport (“Airport”), hereby provides public notice (“Public Notice”) of the City’s intention to amend Passenger Facility Charge (“PFC”) Application Number 5 (15-05-C-01-CLT) previously approved by the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”) to fund, in whole or in part, certain eligible improvements at the Airport.

As required by Part 158.24(a)(1), the following information is included in this Public Notice:

- (i) Descriptions of the projects;
- (ii) A brief justification of the need for the projects;
- (iii) The PFC level for each project;
- (iv) The estimated total PFC revenue for each project;
- (v) The proposed charge effective date for the application;
- (vi) The estimated charge expiration date for the application;
- (vii) The estimated total PFC revenue that will be used to finance the projects; and
- (viii) The name of and contact information for the person within the public agency to whom comments should be sent.

The City is undertaking this program of capital improvements and fund funding them with PFCs on a PAYGO basis. The City is applying to the FAA for the authority to amend the amount of PFC revenue needed to pay the PFC eligible cost of the proposed project work elements (“PWEs”) approved in the City’s PFC Application No. 5 (as it is being amended).

Background:

The City submitted and the FAA approved, on March 18, 2015, PFC Application No. 5 and the imposition of a \$3.00 PFC for 26 PWE’s, all of which were approved for impose and use. The approved collection amount for PFC Application No. 5 was \$67,659,044.

On January 17, 2017 the FAA approved the City’s first amendment to PFC Application No. 5 (“Amendment No. 1 to PFC Application No. 5”). Amendment No. 1 to PFC Application 5 adjusted the approved costs of five (5) PWE’s to reflect updated cost estimates or actual project costs, and to increase the PFC Impose and Use approval amount for PFC Application No. 5 by \$87,195,343.

The City is now seeking to further amend PFC Application No. 5 (“Amendment No. 2 to PFC Application No. 5”) to amend the costs of one project (PWE 5.26 Concourse E Jet Bridges(13)) to reflect the current project costs. This amendment will increase the Impose and Use authority for PFC Application 5 by \$4,812,156 to \$92,007,499. This amendment will not

impact the PFC level (\$3.00). . The proposed Charge Effective Date for PFC Application Number 5 will remain January 1, 2018. The Charge expiration date will remain March 1, 2020.

In summary, the City's proposed PFC Amendment Number 2 to PFC Application Number 5 increases the total PFC revenue approved for impose and use on the PFC eligible costs in PFC Application Number 5 by \$4,812,156 from \$87,195,342 to \$92,007,498.

The following sets forth the PWEs amended in Amendment No. 2 to PFC Application No. 5, including a description of the project, justification for the projects and the estimated total PFC revenue the City will use for project.

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I. PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS, OBJECTIVES AND JUSTIFICATIONS

PROJECT TITLE:
PWE 5.26 CONCOURSE E JET BRIDGES (13)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Concourse E currently comprises 48 gates, 18 of which are currently equipped with jet bridges. This project will procure 13 new jet bridges to be installed on some of the 30 gates currently without jet bridges. After installation of these new jet bridges, 31 out of the current 48 Airport-owned gates will be equipped with jet bridges. An electrical upgrade to the concourse will also be required to complete the project. *Any reference to which gates were to or will be assigned is removed in this Amendment to reduce any confusion which may occur should the actual gate numbering system on the Concourses be modified by the airport.*

The estimated cost of this PWE is now \$15,519,067 which is \$4,812,156 higher than the amount approved (\$10,706,911) in PFC Application No. 5. This represents an approximately 45% increase over the amount originally approved for this PWE. This increase reflects the actual contract costs for these jet bridges.

PROJECT OBJECTIVE: This PWE is eligible pursuant to 158.15(a)(1) and will enhance capacity at the Airport and for the national air transportation system. This project will enhance capacity at the Airport by equipping 13 common use aircraft boarding gates located on Concourse E with jet bridges. Concourse E gates are common use gates and operated by the City of Charlotte and available to any airline operating at the airport.

The jet bridges will accommodate a range of aircraft currently serving the Airport and those aircraft that might serve the Airport in the near future. Currently, passengers board aircraft by stairs. The jet bridges will reduce passenger boarding times which in turn will reduce the amount of time aircraft utilize the gate and the boarding area.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION: Concourse E currently has 48 gates but only 18 of those gates have jet bridges. Equipping additional gates with jet bridges will enhance capacity by allowing passengers to board the aircraft faster, thereby reducing the amount of time aircraft utilize the gate and the boarding area. *Any reference to which gates were to or will be assigned is removed in this Amendment to reduce any confusion which may occur should the actual gate numbering system on the Concourses be modified by the airport.*

FINANCING PLAN - AMENDED

Project Cost:	\$15,519,067
AIP Grants Existing:	\$0
AIP Grants Future:	\$0
PFC PAYGO:	\$15,519,067
PFC Bonds:	\$0
Non-PFC Bonds:	\$0
% PFC Est.	100%

II. DETAILED FINANCIAL PLAN

The City proposes to undertake this program of capital improvements and to fund them with PFCs on a PAYGO debt leveraged basis. The City is applying to the FAA for the authority to amend the impose and use PFC revenue to pay the PFC eligible cost of the proposed project work elements (“PWEs”).

The City proposes to impose a \$3.00 PFC to pay the PFC eligible costs of the PWEs. The proposed charge effective date for PFC Amendment Number 2 to PFC Application Number 5 will remain to be January 1, 2018. The charge expiration date was March 1, 2020. The City does not propose to amend this date.

The City’s proposed PFC Amendment Number 2 to PFC Application Number 5 increases the total PFC revenue approved for impose and use on the PFC eligible costs in PFC Application Number 5 by \$4,812,156 from \$87,195,342 to \$92,007,498.

The public is invited to provide written comment or request additional information through **January 6, 2022** by writing:

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