

## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: August 15, 2019

To: Personnel and Finance Committee

From: Kim Jones

Airport Director

Subject: Granting an Exception to DCO 20.15 Prohibiting Travel to States

that discriminate, to allow staff to travel to American Airlines

Headquarters to meet with airline executives

Dates of Travel/Meetings: October 31, 2019 – November 01, 2019

As provided by DCO 20.20 and DCO 20.15, this memo requests the Personnel and Finance committee grant an exception to DCO 20.15. This request would allow Dane County staff to meet face to face with American Airline executives to discuss current and further airline service at the Dane County Regional Airport, in Texas, a state that has laws that meet the criteria established in DCO 20.15. These meetings are necessary to continue to grow and develop airline service at our airport, remain closely connected to the American Airline executive team, and to ensure a seamless working relationship. In-person meetings are essential for growing and developing relationships that are important to Dane County and south central Wisconsin, and provides an appropriate opportunity to showcase our market and present opportunities for growth.

The staff that would be participating on this trip are: Airport Director Kim Jones, and Marketing and Communications Director, Brent McHenry.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and please let me know if you need any additional information.