

Subject: RDU IS REQUIRED to Obtain FAA Release

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Good morning Mayor McFarlane and Council Members,

Following up on Friday's RDUAA vote to approve a lease to Wake Stone for a quarry, we made further inquiry of the FAA to confirm our understanding of the FAA release requirement.

Yesterday, we confirmed via telephone call with Phillip Braden, Manager of the FAA Memphis Airports District Office - the FAA office in charge of overseeing the operations of RDU Airport, that **the RDU Airport IS REQUIRED to obtain an FAA release in order to lease the Odd Fellows Tract for a quarry**. He also stated that the RDU Airport has not requested such a release from the FAA.

Per the FAA compliance manual, releases must be requested by co-sponsors of the airport. We request on behalf of the Umstead Coalition that the City Council vote to refuse or at least delay signing any request for an FAA release which is presented to the City, as a co-sponsor of the RDU Airport. We urge the City Council to engage in a public discussion on this matter prior to signing any request for a release,

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please give me or my associate, Matthew Carpenter, a call.

Thank you for your consideration,

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