

**PROPOSED AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL
23 2ND ST NE
WATERTOWN, SOUTH DAKOTA**

**Friday, April 13, 2018
Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call**

12:00 PM

1. Approval of agenda
2. Essential Air Service Bid Recommendation
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. Liaison member reports
6. Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2
7. Motion to adjourn

Kristen Bobzien
Finance Officer

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Agenda Item 2 - Essential Air Service Bid Recommendation

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor & City Council
FROM: Todd Syhre, Airport Manager
MEETING DATE: April 13, 2018
SUBJECT: Essential Air Service Bid Recommendation

BACKGROUND: On Monday, March 26th 2018, Great Lakes airlines ceased air service to all their turbo prop cities. This influenced ADI as they are using the Great Lakes reservation system for ticketing. This option allowed booking tickets past Denver on other carriers using sites like Travelocity, Expedia, or other travel services.

Since the fallout of Great Lakes ceasing service, three major interlines have all ceased as well. This now means individuals will have to purchase two separate tickets to fly past Denver.

Considering all this, on April 4th 2018, the Airport Board rescinded their recommendation of ADI option 1 (status quo) and are again reviewing all options. The City of Watertown staff is working closely with Pierre officials, FAA, DOT, and representatives to make sure all options for Pierre and Watertown are reviewed, allowing the best decision for our respective cities.

RECOMMENDATION: All valid options should be brought to the table at 10am on Friday, April 13th 2018 for an Airport Board meeting with that recommendation being taken to City Council for approval.