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## Aerotropolis Milwaukee Moves Forward

*Alderman Witkowski praises newly revealed road map for airport development area.*

Milwaukee Aerotropolis Corporation, a public-private partnership, rolled out its new plan for development in the Milwaukee region on Tuesday night. The project involves eight municipalities, the state, the county, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission and Gateway to Milwaukee working collaboratively to create an economic development hub around Mitchell International Airport.

“I’m very proud to see what started as an idea for a local task force evolve into a plan that continues to result in regional cooperation that will move Milwaukee forward,” said Alderman Witkowski, who launched his Airport Area Economic Development Task Force in March of 2008.

The cooperation between communities allows for better recruitment of businesses and helps draw projects to the area. “We can no longer quibble over who gets what company on what side of the street,” Alderman Witkowski said. “Now, we work together to the benefit of the entire area. A company locating in a neighboring city still means jobs for Milwaukee residents as well as those of the surrounding suburbs.”

The release of the study and road map helps keep Milwaukee on the cutting edge of aerotropolis development. The area’s public-private partnership around this major transportation hub is among the first in the nation.

“Milwaukee now has the tools in place to move forward using Mitchell International Airport as lever for economic development in a global economy,” Alderman Witkowski said.