



MINUTES of the
COUNCIL/CITIZENS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON AVIATION

MEETING DATE & LOCATION: Monday, September 26, 2011 at the Newport Beach Central Library's *Friends of the Library* Room, 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach, California)

ATTENDANCE:

- Committee members present: Council Member Rush Hill (Vice-Chair), Council Member Keith Curry, Eleanor Todd (District #2), Jerry Scarborough (District #2 – Alt), Bonnie O’Neil (District #4), John Cunningham (District #5), Craig Page (District #5 – Alt), Shirley Conger (District #6), Jim Dunlap (District #7), Roger Ham (Newport Coast/Ridge), Tom Naughton (Airport Working Group), and Melinda Seely (SPON/Air Fair).
- Guests present: Anne Goodwin, Charles Griffin, Tom Menk, Jim Mosher, Lynn Pash, Dan Rabun, Bob Taylor, John Tidy, Karen Tringali (CdM Residents Association), Amy Senk (CdM Today), Mike Smith, and Rich Stanley.
- JWA Representatives present: Alan Murphy, Eric Freed.
- Representatives from Corridor Cities present: Khanh Nguyen (Costa Mesa), Liz Vazquez-Avila (Laguna Beach).
- Staff Members present: Dave Kiff, Aaron Harp, Tom Edwards.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. **Welcome.** With the excused absence of Chairperson Leslie Daigle, the meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Rush Hill at 8:00 a.m.
2. **Self Introductions** were made.
3. **STREL or other departure pattern updates.** Dave Kiff noted a letter sent September 14, 2011 to JWA regarding STREL and RAWLZ and stating the City’s wish that all RNAV departures follow MUSEL 6 and the traditional departure patterns of the bay as much as possible. Alan Murphy said that a response from JWA would be forthcoming soon and that JWA appreciated the cooperative working relationship between the City and JWA. Roger Ham noted that “there have been improvements” (fewer planes making an early turn along the coast) and that more planes appeared to be traveling all the way to STREL past TANGL. Eleanor Todd had a map of the STREL. “Sometimes it seems dependent on who is working ATC that day,” he noted. Bob Taylor thanked the City for sending the letter.
4. **JWA Operational Updates.** Alan Murphy:
 - a. Referred to Tom Edwards’ report (attached to the agenda) in terms of passenger activity. Generally, operations are flat and down about 1% for the year, but “September was busier.” Load factors are “about 80%”.
 - b. Noted that the new Terminal C will open to the public November 14, 2011 and that Southwest and Frontier will move there. The new terminal will not change any “remain overnight” (RON) numbers and is compliant with the current Settlement Agreement terms.
 - c. Noted that Compass Air will be testing an Embraer 175 as a part of Delta Connection to Salt Lake City.
 - d. Murphy noted that leases with air carriers were “about finished.”
 - e. Noted that the City can expect communication from the County soon about discussing settlement agreement extension issues soon “within the next few weeks” and that that would start a process (including environmental review) that may take “2-3 years” start-to-finish to ultimately complete.

5. **Tom Edwards' Monthly Report.** Tom Edwards referred to the report in the Agenda packet and asked for questions or comments. He noted that the Costa Mesa City Council expects to consider the Helipad/Helistop item at their November 1, 2011 City Council meeting.
6. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda items** were made by Charles Griffin ("advocacy for quieter engines is important") and Jim Mosher (asked for Committee minutes to be taken and posted and for updates on the Corridor City efforts, among other things).
7. **The Committee's next meeting** was set for Monday, October 31, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. in the Central Library's Friends Room.
8. **The meeting was adjourned** at about 8:25 a.m.

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