

City of Newport Beach



MINUTES of the COUNCIL/CITIZENS AVIATION COMMITTEE

(approved as amended September 24, 2012)

MEETING DATE & LOCATION: **Monday, July 30th, 2012** at the Newport Beach Central Library's *Friends of the Library* Room, 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach, California).

ATTENDANCE:

- Committee membership:

Leslie Daigle	Council Representative	present
Rush Hill	Council Representative	not present
Keith Curry	Council Representative	present
Kay Mortenson	District #1	not present
Vacant	District #1 (alt)	N/A
Eleanor Todd	District #2	present
Gerald Scarboro	District #2 (alt)	present
Tom Anderson	District #3	not present
Bonnie O'Neil	District #3 (alt)	not present
Tom Meng	District #4	not present
Vacant	District #4 (alt)	N/A
John Cunningham	District #5	present
Craig Page	District #5 (alt)	present
Shirley Conger	District #6	present
Bud Rasner	District #6 (alt)	present
Suzy Casey	District #7	present
Jim Dunlap	District #7 (alt)	present
Dave Kiff	City Manager	present
Aaron Harp	City Attorney	present
Melinda Seely	SPON/AirFair Rep.	present
Tony Khoury	AWG Representative	present
Roger Ham	Newport Coast Rep	present
Vacant	General Aviation Rep	N/A

- Guests present: Lou Alexander, David Browne, Gregg Carroll, Lynn Cathcart, Robert Hawkins, Jim Mosher, Tom Naughton, Bob Taylor, John Tidy, Amy Senk and Bob Strang.
- JWA Representatives present: Alan Murphy, Eric Freed.
- Representatives from Corridor Cities present: Peter Naghavi (Costa Mesa), Liz Vazquez-Avila (Laguna Beach)
- City representatives present: Tom Edwards.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- Welcome & Self Introductions.** The meeting was called to order by Ms. Daigle at 8:00 a.m.

2. The **minutes** from June 2012 were approved, as amended.
3. **Current Business:**
 - **Settlement Agreement Extension Update.** Kiff noted that the settlement agreement groups continue to meet, with more progress hoped for in August. Harp noted that that the specifics of settlement discussions were part of the settlement of litigation and therefore confidential. Amendment: Mr. Hawkins suggested a clarification to these minutes of, generally, the underlined phrases above.
 - **JWA Operational Updates.** Alan Murphy noted that use of JWA was trending flat to about a 1% annual growth in terms of operations, although June 2012 saw about a 4.7% increase over June 2011. In response to a question from Gregg Carroll, Murphy noted the North Bristol Slope project is anticipated to start construction in Fall 2012.
 - **Draft RAWLZ position/letter.** Kiff said that the RAWLZ letter group had met again, with Bob Pastore and Richard Cox providing input and data points to assist in the development of the final letter, which would come back to the Committee and Council for approval.
 - **Edwards' Monthly Report.** Tom Edwards briefly summarized his July 2012 Monthly Report (please review the reports directly for more detail), including:
 - The FAA's thoughts on how "sustained aviation growth" can take precedence over environmental review.
4. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda items** involved:
 - John Cunningham and Tom Edwards discussing how plane altitude can change – or should not change – given the noise abatement departures.
 - Tom Naughton talking about the 737-MAX Boeing planes, including additional passenger capability as well as possible quieter engines, though no noise data is available at this point.
 - Shirley Conger wondered what more the City and Committee could be doing to encourage Ontario airport to carry more passengers.
5. **The Committee's next meeting** was set for Monday, September 24th, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. in the Central Library's Friends Room.
6. **The meeting was adjourned** at about 8:33 a.m.

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