

City of Newport Beach
 MINUTES of the
COUNCIL/CITIZENS AVIATION COMMITTEE
 (draft until approved by the Committee)



MEETING DATE & LOCATION: **Monday, January 28, 2013** 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	present
Tony Petros	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	present
Bonnie O'Neil	District #3 (alt)	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
SPON/Air Fair Rep.	Greg Carroll	present
AWG Representative	Tom Naughton, Tony Khoury	present
Roger Ham	Newport Coast Rep	present
Vacant	General Aviation Rep	N/A

- Guests present: Robert Hawkins, Jim Mosher, Bob Pastore, Mike Smith, Robert Strang.
- JWA Representatives present: Alan Murphy.
- Representatives from Corridor Cities present: Council Member Wendy Leece (Costa Mesa), Peter Naghavi (Costa Mesa), Liz Vazquez-Avila (Laguna Beach).
- City representatives present: Tom Edwards.

AGENDA ITEMS:

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

3. The **minutes** from the September 24th, 2012 Committee meeting were approved, with Mr. Hill and Mr. Petros abstaining.
4. **Current Business – All Things Aviation:**
 - **Settlement Agreement Extension Update.** Kiff gave a recap of the negotiations in 2012, stating that after multiple meetings in 2012, the parties had concluded work before Thanksgiving and were awaiting further feedback from the County of Orange. They hoped to hear back within 30-60 days. He expected that things could be complete within 2013, but that was pending the CEQA process.
 - **JWA Operational Updates.** Alan Murphy noted that Tom Edwards' report had covered most of the information he would have delivered, but noted that operations were up about 5% in December 2012 from December 2011, and that year-over-year passengers increased by about 2.9% from 2011. Also discussed were:
 - Recent bird strike at JWA.
 - Role of JWA staff and OC Airport Land Use Commission.
 - Change in designation of JWA runways given shifts to magnetic north.
 - **GE - Naverus.** Kiff said that GE Aviation/Naverus would be in town next week (Feb 4-8) and that he would be contacting the neighborhood representatives to meet with the Naverus staff for their initial field observations. Naverus would also be meeting with Eric Freed of JWA. Group discussed what "AR" meant ("authorization required").
 - **Edwards' Monthly Report.** Tom Edwards referred readers to his electronic report. He spoke specifically about the recent hearing by the Laguna Beach City Council on airplane noise, and how the City Council there formed a committee to work on the issue. Edwards noted Ontario's recent increase (one route) by Southwest (to Reno) as well as Los Angeles World Airport's move to encourage Metrolink to take riders directly to Ontario.
 - **Air Quality.** Kiff discussed a recent request by Bonnie O'Neill to revisit some of the results of Dr. Karleen Boyle's September 2010 Air Quality Report. The discussion surrounded issues like:
 - If science is better able to identify specific particulates (fines and ultra-fines), should more be studied by the City?
 - Have particulate standards changed along with particulate science? If not, is there any value in delving deeper into the issue even if nothing can be done about it?
 - What role might air quality analysis play in any environmental review associated with the extension of the JWA Settlement Agreement?Kiff promised to work with Harp to examine what the law allows in terms of air quality around airports, and to return to the Committee with another opportunity to provide input based on that legal analysis. Kiff also promised to check to make sure the 2010 study was on the City's website under "Projects and Issues" then "John Wayne Airport".
5. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda items** involved:
 - Mr. Mosher asked the Committee to consider weighing in on the Uptown Newport project's compliance with the Airport Land Use Commission's land use plan.
 - Mr. Carroll asked Mr. Murphy about the Bristol Slope project ("out to bid in about 45 days"), the maintenance facility ("goes to the Board of Supervisors in February 2013"), and how property taxes are assessed on planes that "remain overnight" (RONs).
6. **Items for an Upcoming Agenda.** Suggested items included Uptown Newport, Air Quality.
7. **The Committee's next meeting** was set for Monday, February 25th, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. in the Central Library's Friends Room or another location to be determined.
8. **The meeting was adjourned** at 8:42 a.m.

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