City of Newport Beach



MINUTES of the

COUNCIL/CITIZENS AVIATION COMMITTEE

(draft until approved by the Committee)

MEETING DATE & LOCATION: **Monday, April 30, 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 | not present |
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| Rush Hill | Council Representative | present |
| Keith Curry | Council Representative | not present |
| Kay Mortenson | District #1 | present |
| Henry Arjad | District #1 (alt) | not present |
| 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 | present |
| Ron Darling | District #4 (alt) | not present |
| 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. | not present |
| Tony Khoury | AWG Representative | present |
| Roger Ham | Newport Coast Rep | present |
| TBD | General Aviation Rep | N/A |

- Guests present: David Browne, Dave Girling, Robert Hawkins, Jim Mosher, Tom Naughton, Nick Ralston, Amy Senk, Bob Taylor and John Tidy.
- JWA Representatives present: Alan Murphy, Eric Freed.
- Representatives from Corridor Cities present: Khanh Nguyen (Costa Mesa), Liz Vazquez-Avila (Laguna Beach)
- City representatives present: Tom Edwards.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Welcome & Self Introductions. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Hill at 8:00 a.m.
- 2. The **minutes** from March 2012 were approved with amendments.
- 3. Current Business:

- a. **Settlement Agreement Extension Update.** Kiff again noted that discussions on extending the Settlement Agreement continue. He was unable to answer questions about the specifics of the discussions, including the project to be reviewed under CEQA.
- b. JWA Operational Updates. Eric Freed noted that use of JWA was slightly down again in March about 1.8% down. He noted that United has cancelled their Hawaii flight (a route picked up from Continental). He said that Southwest and AirTran had both successfully "qualified" their new 737-800s for flights into JWA. These will seat up to 175 passengers and SW will be flying at least one in June 2012. Freed said they qualified as either As or Es under various weight configurations. Tom Naughton asked Freed for more information about "how planes are not literally flying the STREL" from waypoint to waypoint. Edwards pointed out that "they are flying the STREL, because the STREL allows radar vectoring off of the waypoints. The waypoints are only used when the plane has lost communication with TRACON...."
- c. **Edwards' Monthly Report.** Tom Edwards briefly summarized his April 2012 Monthly Report (please review it directly for more detail), including noise comparisons between 2008 and 2011/12. Council Member Hill asked more about Noise Monitoring Stations #9 and #10 (both are approachbased NMS's) and how noise there seemed to increase. Freed noted that NMS#9 was more erratic because it was not directly in line with most approaches.
- 4. Public Comments on Non-Agenda items involved:
 - a. The STREL departure procedure and whether it has increased flights over certain parts of the community, especially CdM.
 - b. A meeting coming up on STREL and its "west of Las Vegas, northerly flight" cousin, the RAWLZ.
 - c. Concerns from a resident of Laguna Beach about overflights.
 - d. How earthquake faults, including the San Joaquin Hills fault, affect JWA.
 - e. Improved precision in navigation (ADS-b tracks)
- 5. **The Committee's next meeting** was set for Monday, May 21st, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. in the Central Library's Friends Room. Note: This meeting was not held due to staff calendar conflicts.
- 6. The meeting was adjourned at about 8:37 a.m.