



Minutes Tempe Aviation Commission July 12, 2016

Minutes of the Tempe Aviation Commission meeting held on July 12, 2016, 6:30 p.m., at the Public Works Conference Room, Garden Level, City Hall Complex, 31 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Lane Carraway (Chair)
Robert Dixon
Shannon Dutton
Mark Garrigan
David Naugle
John Q. Nunes
Mike Sonenberg

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Gordon Gauss (Excused)
Jason Forcier

City Staff Present:

Cassandra Mac, *Management Assistant I*
Marilyn DeRosa, *Deputy Public Works Director, Water Utilities*
Oddvar Tveit, *Environmental Quality Specialist*

Meeting convened at 6:31 p.m.

Chair Lane Carraway called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

Agenda Item 2 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes (June 14, 2016)

Chair Lane Carraway asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented.

Motion: Mr. John Q. Nunes moved to approve the draft minutes. Mr. Mike Sonenberg suggested adding to Agenda Item 3, #2 that the City of Phoenix considers 'ten knots cross winds' to be a weather or atmospheric condition, meaning these deviations are excluded from compliance reports. Mr. Nunes agreed to change his motion to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Sonenberg seconded the motion.

Action: The amended minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 3 – Update from Staff

Oddvar Tveit presented city documents that were result of the Commission's recommendations:

1. A letter from the Mayor to the Administrator of the FAA was sent on June 29, 2016 about recognition of the city and its residents as stakeholders when planning NextGen airspace in and around PHX. To ensure that all the points commissioners consider to be important are included in the letter through the editing process, it was suggested that commissioners include a cover letter, in addition to the draft letter, highlighting the important points.
2. A June 17, 2016 Friday Packet memorandum explained the commission's recommendation for additional fixed noise monitoring sites in Tempe at prioritized locations, if the city should decide to make requests or enter into negotiations with the airport administration about the PHX noise monitoring system.

Agenda Item 4 – Aviation Public Meeting

Cassandra Mac discussed the goal and the need for a clear purpose.

The Call to Action will be based on the ideas of 'two years of NextGen and' 'the impact on quality of life.'

The members discussed what the residents should get from a public meeting. Suggestions:

- Educate impacted residents about how to act and why they should voice concerns about aviation noise.
- Chronology, the intergovernmental agreement with Phoenix, and the history of controversial flight procedure changes; what NextGen is and what flight paths changed with the implementation of NextGen at PHX.
- City of Tempe's letter to the FAA on a more open process and recognition of local communities as stakeholders in the implementation of NextGen.
- Legislative updates; FAA reauthorization and the NextGen process.
- Format of the meeting; a presentation by PHX followed by open house with educational tables; display maps where residents can find their homes relative to current flight tracks, collect written comment cards, address the temporary closure of the north runway October 1-31, 2016.
- After the public meeting, providing newsletter updates to those who sign-in on the status of the topics that were addressed.

Cassandra Mac presented October 5th and 6th as available dates for the history museum.

Follow up: The commission will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 with the public meeting as the only action item.

Motion: Mr. Sonenberg moved to direct staff to proceed with the preparation of a public meeting in the Tempe History Museum Community Room on October 5, 2016 to cover the topics discussed; including, notifications to the city's neighborhood and homeowner association contacts, creation of the meeting announcement in the Tempe Today publication, and coordination of City of Phoenix's participation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nunes.

Action: The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 4 – Establishing a Subcommittee

Oddvar Tveit discussed the conditions that exist for the commission to establish a subcommittee, including staff's requirement to explain why the purpose cannot be effectively accomplished by a quorum of the commission as a whole. He explained that airport noise mitigation consists of a plan with different types of programs, and involves highly technical discussions of operational feasibility and flight safety by experts on air traffic control, procedure development, and airport operations. These discussions are needed to determine what procedures can be locally implemented to help reduce noise exposure in sensitive areas without significant constraints on PHX's operation.

Motion: Mr. Sonenberg moved to direct staff to submit notification to City Council for the creation of a TAVCO Aviation Noise Abatement Subcommittee. Mr. Lane Carraway, Mr. Robert Dixon, Ms. Shannon Dutton, Mr. John Q. Nunes, and Mr. Mike Sonenberg will be the subcommittee members. The subcommittee will sunset on July 12, 2017. The purpose of the subcommittee is to discuss noise abatement recommendations and report back to the full Commission for discussion and possible action. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nunes.

Action: The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5 – Deviation notifications to airlines from the City of Phoenix

Motion: Mr. Robert Dixon moved to table the topic to a future meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Shannon Dutton.

Action: The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 6 – Commissioners’ business

No new topics were suggested.

Agenda Item 7 – Schedule Next TAVCO Meeting

Action: The next meeting would be the first meeting of the TAVCO Aviation Noise Abatement Subcommittee on July 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Eisendrath House, followed by a special commission meeting on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the public meeting. The next regular commission meeting was scheduled for September 13, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Item 8 – Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Robert Dixon moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Nunes seconded the motion.

Action: The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Prepared by: Oddvar Tveit and Cassandra Mac

Reviewed by: David McNeil

Authorized Signature
Environmental Services Manager