



## Minutes Tempe Aviation Commission September 13, 2016

Minutes of the Tempe Aviation Commission meeting held on September 13, 2016, 6:30 p.m., at the Public Works Conference Room, Garden Level, City Hall Complex, 31 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Gordon Gauss (Vice-Chair)  
Robert Dixon  
Shannon Dutton  
Mark Garrigan  
David Naugle  
John Q. Nunes  
Mike Sonenberg

**Citizens Present:**

Jennifer Brewer  
Jazmine Hayes

**Guests Present:**

Jordan Feld, *Deputy Aviation Director - Planning & Environmental, City of Phoenix*  
Anne Kurtenbach, *Airspace & Noise Program Manager, City of Phoenix*

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Lane Carraway (Chair, Excused)

**City Staff Present:**

Cassandra Mac, *Management Assistant I*  
Oddvar Tveit, *Environmental Quality Specialist*

**Meeting convened at 6:30 p.m.**

Vice chair Gordon Gauss called the meeting to order.

**Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances**

There were no public appearances.

**Agenda Item 2 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes (July 12 and August 9, 2016)**

Vice Chair Gordon Gauss asked for any comments to the drafted minutes and motions to approve the July and August meeting minutes as presented.

**Motion:** Mr. Robert Dixon moved to approve the draft July minutes. Mr. John Q. Nunes seconded the motion. Mr. Mike Sonenberg moved to approve the draft August special meeting minutes. Mr. Robert Dixon seconded the motion.

**Action:** The July and August meeting minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 3 – Update from Staff**

1. *Staffing:* Oddvar Tveit and Cassandra Mac will be representing city staff at the commission's regular meetings. David McNeil and Marilyn DeRosa will in the future attend as needed or if requested by the commission.
2. *Drones:* A city working group to discuss the regulation of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) met on August 10, 2016. The city is reviewing existing restrictions in the city's park ordinance for model aircrafts and similar aerial devices in Tempe Beach Park and Rio Salado Park, and is considering replacing these restrictions with new restrictions on landing and take offs with hobbyist UAVs in city parks within a five mile radius of PHX. The meeting included updates on State legislation (SB 1449) that regulates reckless UAV use, their operation

close to sensitive facilities excluding governmental use and the new FAR Part 107 regulation for commercial uses of smaller UAVs.

3. *Annual Report*: A report on the commission's activities and goals for the next twelve months is due on November 15, 2016. A preliminary draft was included for members to review and basis for discussions at the next commission meeting.

#### **Agenda Item 4 – Aviation Public Meeting Preparations**

Cassandra Mac informed the members about the status of outreach efforts in coordination with Neighborhood Services, the meeting program and facilitation of the meeting with the City of Phoenix staff.

Jordan Feld talked about the City of Phoenix's contribution for the public meeting, including:

1. Displays including pin board maps and handouts, and a laptop to demonstrate the PHX complaint app and the PublicVue web application.
2. A presentation that will include information about:
  - The PHX Part 150 program.
  - FAA's new technology initiative, the Next Generation Transportation System (NextGen).
  - Flight paths before and after 2014 area navigation (RNAV) departure routing.
  - Outreach efforts made by the City of Phoenix to inform its residents.
  - The unsuccessful dialogue with FAA to get relief by a reconsideration of the 2014 flight path changes, and with airlines to voluntarily fly more noise friendly routes, particularly during night time hours.
  - The Phoenix legal challenge of the 2014 departure route implementation.
  - Legislative initiatives and request to have the Office of the Inspector General to audit the FAA's characterization of NextGen benefits.
  - Preparations for the FAA Metroplex project currently put on hold by the FAA.

Cassandra Mac presented a draft of Marilyn DeRosa presentation:

- Impacts of location close to PHX, positive and negative.
- Flight paths over Tempe before and after September 18, 2014 NextGen routing.
- Impacts areas in both north and south parts of Tempe, emphasizing that all of Tempe needs to work together to address them.
- About the Tempe Aviation Commission and the various methods to report aircraft noise.

The presentation will be followed by a Question and Answer section with a panel consisting of Jordan and Anne representing PHX, and Marilyn and Oddvar from Tempe, with one question per person and a time limit to give every participant an opportunity to be heard. The Q and A panel section will be followed by the break-out session with tables for specific topics.

#### **Discussions:**

- Mr. Mike Sonenberg recommended taking questions regarding the IGA, but not going in depth on the subject in the presentations, he also recommended allowing for one follow-up/ clarification question during the panel Q and A session.
- Shannon Dutton recommended displaying the Tempe 311 phone number and not direct line to staff to make sure complaints get the call center case number for complaint follow up.
- Commissioners at the tables: Mr. Mike Sonenberg and Mr. John Q Nunes from the subcommittee will staff the noise abatement and monitoring table and Mr. Lane Carraway will be at the TAVCO table. The complaint table will include Tempe staff and the City of Phoenix table will have aviation staff representatives.

**Follow up:** All commissioners will meet at the library at 5:30 p.m. at the latest to prepare for the public meeting.

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**Agenda Item 5 – Commissioners’ business**

- Commission goals and strategic priorities for the next twelve months.
- Newsletter to residents attending the October 5, 2016 aviation public workshop.

**Agenda Item 6 – Schedule Next TAVCO Meeting**

**Action:** The next meeting was scheduled for October 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

**Agenda Item 7 – Adjournment**

**Motion:** Ms. Shannon Dutton moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Robert Dixon seconded the motion.

**Action:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Prepared by: Oddvar Tveit and Cassandra Mac

Reviewed by: David McNeil

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Authorized Signature  
Environmental Services Manager