



Minutes Tempe Aviation Commission February 14, 2012

Minutes of the Tempe Aviation Commission meeting held on February 14, 2012, 6:30 p.m., at the Public Works Conference Room, Garden Level, City Hall Complex, 31 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Richard Collins
Tara Ellman
Amy Fish
Karyn Gitlis
Barbara Sherman (Vice Chair)
Alyson Star
David Swanson
Kurtis Zinger (Chair)

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Sally Clements (Excused)
John Robert Johnson (Excused)
Curtis Ritland (Excused)

City Staff Present:

Oddvar Tveit, Environmental Quality
Specialist

Meeting convened at 6:32 p.m.
Kurtis called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

Amy joined the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes (January 10, 2012)

Barbara moved to approve the minutes. Dick seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Karyn joined the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Agenda Item 3 – Chair's Announcements

Kurtis explained how he would like to run the meetings, and congratulated Oddvar with the recognition he received at the January 19, 2012 Council meeting.

Agenda Item 4 – Updates From Staff

PAUWG:

Staff talked about announcements made at the meeting, including PHX flight procedure development initiatives, including RNAVs for Scottsdale and the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway airports.

Noise:

The City of Phoenix is in the process of having an update made to the noise exposure maps for Sky Harbor. The city has yet to get a request out on the street.

The impact of the closure of the north runway from January 10 to January 31, 2012 was addressed. Even though the number of single events during the period did not differ significantly from the same period in 2010 and 2011, a significant drop in average daily noise levels (Ldn A) was registered at three monitoring sites in Tempe located north of the riverbed where arrival traffic to the north runway normally occurs. Noise complaints received during the period were also lower compared to and the same period in 2010 and 2011.

Agenda Item 5 – N.O.I.S.E. Recommendation

Kurtis reported from the January 14, 2012 Transportation Council Committee meeting and the presentation of the Commission's recommendation to the city about joining the National Organization to Insure a Sound controlled Environment (N.O.I.S.E.). The recommendation was well received by the Committee Chair, and the next step would be for staff to "follow-up" on getting the membership fee appropriated. Kurtis emphasized the need for the Commission to do periodic reviews should the city become a member, to make sure that the organization is active and that the membership provides benefits to Tempe and to enable city participation at N.O.I.S.E. conferences.

Agenda Item 6 – Commissioners' Business (topics for future discussion)

The following topics were suggested for discussion at a future meeting:

- Conducting an aviation noise poll when the new city website is up and running.
- Helicopter disturbances.
- Questions to Phil Freed, in preparation to inviting the PHX ATCT manager to attend one of the Commission's meetings.

The members asked staff to include an update on airport air pollution.

Barbara distributed documents from NTNA addressed to Tempe representatives in Washington D.C. and candidates running for public office in Tempe.

Agenda Item 8 – Schedule next TAVCO meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for March 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Item 9 – Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Prepared by: Oddvar Tveit

Reviewed by: Don Hawkes

Authorized Signature
Deputy Public Works Director - Water Utilities