

Tempe Aviation Commission
Tuesday, October 12, 2021
6:30 p.m. – Call to Order

Virtual

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Public Appearances**; the Tempe Aviation Commission welcomes public comments at this time. The Commission may not respond to public comments unless the topic has been placed on the agenda. There is a *three-minute time limit* per citizen.
3. **Consideration of Meeting Minutes (September 15, 2021)**; for discussion and approval.
4. **Website and Information Page**; for discussion
5. **FAA Helicopter Operations discussion** ; for discussion
6. **TAVCO Bulletin For Tempe Residents document**; for review and discussion
7. **Rio Salado Upcoming Development presentation**; for discussion
8. **Commissioners' Business**; suggestions for future agenda items.
9. **Schedule Next TAVCO Meeting**
10. **Adjournment.**

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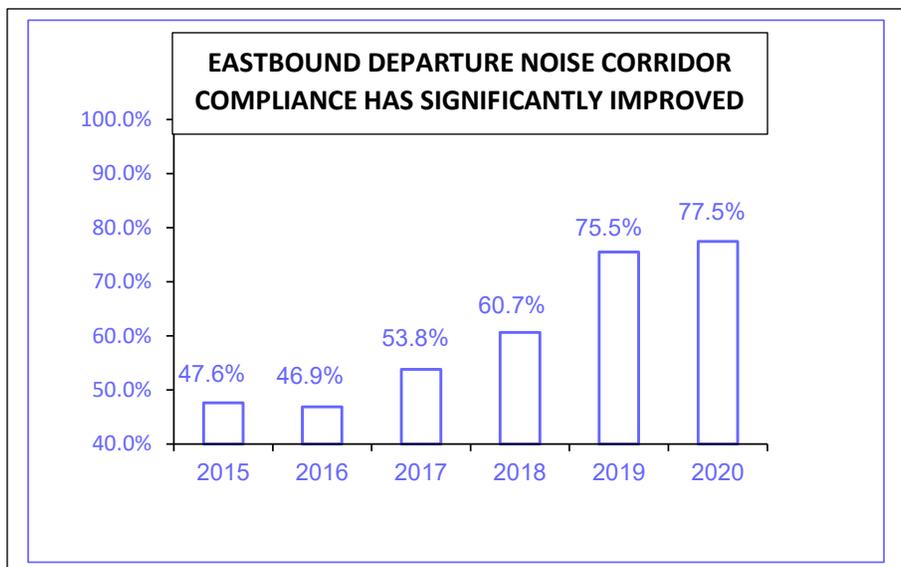
TAVCO Bulletin For Tempe Residents

The Tempe Aviation Commission (TAVCO) was created in 1995 by City of Tempe Ordinance No 95.15. This commission replaced the Tempe Aircraft Noise Abatement Committee (ANACOM), created by the Tempe City Council in 1990 to make policy recommendations to the Council on noise generated by Sky Harbor Airport aircraft operations. On Nov 4, 2010, Tempe City Council Ordinance No. 210.36 reduced Commission membership to its current size of 11 members, and expanded the powers and duties of the Commission to include not just noise, but to all impacts of aircraft and airport operations on Tempe residents.

From the outset, members of first the Committee and now the Commission have provided substantive input (including significant data gathering and interpretation) to the Council enabling Tempe City leadership to advocate for the City in planning documents and decisions undertaken by the City of Phoenix and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). It should be noted that without this supported advocacy, Tempe may never have been able to establish itself as a stakeholder in these areas. Aircraft activity west of Sky Harbor Airport is mostly contained within Phoenix which owns and operates Sky Harbor Airport, while all aircraft activity east of the airport directly affects Tempe, an independent city.

TAVCO is encouraged that input provided to the Tempe City Council has in the past and continues today to facilitate decision making that, in this one very technically specialized area, has improved quality of life for Tempe residents.

LATEST DATA SHOWS THAT TEMPE ENVIRONMENTAL NOISE GENERATED BY SKY HARBOR AIRPORT OPERATIONS CONTINUES TO IMPROVE



**RESIDENTIAL NOISE COMPLAINTS
FOLLOWS THIS TREND**

PHX East	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
East Departures	95,931	95,102	86,857	88,967	85,391	73,523
West Arrivals	96,741	88,104	108,284	108,526	109,645	89,252
Complaints	172	74	60	43	26	18

NOISE COMPLAINTS REPRESENT ONLY .02% OF EASTBOUND DEPARTURES

Even if the trends noted above continue in the desired direction, there is yet more that TAVCO must do. Latest data shows that Tempe residents north of the Salt River are becoming increasingly impacted by noise of Sky Harbor destination aircraft arriving from the east.

Thus, data acquisition and analysis continues as we avidly work to provide Tempe City Council with recommendations and supporting documentation that can continue to enhance the quality of life for Tempe residents.