

**CITY OF SAN DIEGO**  
**AIRPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**

**Meeting of September 13, 2016**

**Montgomery-Gibbs Terminal, 3750 John J. Montgomery Drive, San Diego, CA 92123**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** J. H. Aldrich (Montgomery Field Aviation Lessee), Jackie Ander (Serra Mesa Community), Chairman Buzz Fink (Special Expertise), Buzz Gibbs (Kearny Mesa Community) *arrived late*, Lisa Golden (Otay Mesa Community), Scott Hasson (Tierrasanta Community), Bob Hitchcock (Brown Field Aviation User Group), Rich Martindell (Special Expertise), Vice-Chair Chuck McGill (Montgomery Field Aviation User Group), Tom Ricotta (Brown Field Aviation Lessee), David Ryan (Special Expertise)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Tom Dray (MYF Tower) *excused*

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Bob Ambler, Clark Andrews, Larry Armi, Gerald Blank, Nici Boon, Brian Brown, Travis Daniels, Jim Dell, Dave Eddo, David Friedmann, David Gordon, Bob Golo, Rod Grove, Chuck Hoffman, Phil Kendro, Eddie Kisfaludy, Darin Larson, Russ Owens, Louisa Porter, Ray Richmond, Larry Rothrock, Chris Sluka, Tiny Sluka, Amanda Stonaker, William Wilcox, Jim Zapata

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kathy Chavez, Millie Moore, Rod Propst, Wayne Reiter, Rodel Riego, Pierre Saladin, Matthew Schmitzer, Andy Schwartz, Debbie Shauger

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Fink called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. A quorum was present. Chairman Fink stated that two items on the agenda, Airports Division Business Plan and the Minimum Standards will be moved to next month's agenda.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Fink requested the Committee approve the meeting notes from July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Mr. Martindell noted typos and a correction to be made on page 3: NTSP should be NTSB. Mr. Reiter commented that Mr. Dray needed corrections made to his report. Mr. Martindell moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hasson, all in favor, with 1 abstention (Ms. Ander), approved with corrections.

**3. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Zapata pleaded his case in requesting his name to be placed on the top of the tie down list for a space at Flattop or Marigold. Mr. Zapata believes he was given "grandfather" status at a previous meeting. Mr. Schmitzer responded he had accommodated Mr. Zapata's request by finding a temporary location for Mr. Zapata's hangar at National Air College. Mr. Zapata is seeking a long term solution for his hangar placement at MYF. Vice Chairman McGill noted that the Committee cannot take action on any non-agenda items.

Mr. Gordon inquired about the policy on modifications made to hangars and requested a tree removal. Mr. Propst responded by requesting a written request be sent to Mr. Schmitzer who would

make the decision. Mr. Blank noted the tree was a memorial to Billy Davis' father, and that should be accounted for when making any decisions. Chairman Fink stated if resolution is not satisfactory it can be taken to the next level.

Dr. Aldrich inquired about the status and enforcement of the weight limit of 20,000 pounds per Resolution 280194. Mr. Propst stated that the resolution was being enforced as vigorously as the day it was passed – that the resolution provides no mechanism for enforcement. Discussion took place regarding the liability of aircraft over 20,000 pounds operating at the airport (MYF).

Mr. Rothrock reminded everyone about the EAA October Fest at Brown Field celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. All are invited.

Mr. Golo requested more tie downs on the airport. Mr. Schmitzer responded that this will be addressed with the Master Plan. Mr. Schmitzer stated that there are tie downs available for \$6 a night and \$7 for multi-engine at Transient Parking. He gave suggestions on other resources, such as asking Mr. Gibbs for tie downs. Chairman Fink added that prior discussion took place regarding the development of the new Master Plan, and when bringing in a new FBO it is a requirement to have enough tie down space. Vice-chair McGill suggested Mr. Golo provide input during the Master Plan process because of his long time experience at MYF.

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

##### 15-Year Lease Agreement for MYF Monthly Tie down Tenants

Ms. Shauger gave a Power Point presentation on the 15-Year Lease Agreement and it will eventually be presented to Council. Dr. Aldrich asked if there will be an opportunity for public input at Council. Ms. Shauger replied yes. Mr. Armi inquired about the market value adjustment, whether it is for the land alone or the hangar and the land. Mr. Propst responded the appraisal will be for the land only. Discussion took place regarding doing the Master Plan before the 15-Year Lease Agreement. Chairman Fink inquired about the commercial general liability, commercial auto and environmental insurance. Ms. Shauger responded hangar insurance to be provided by the owner of the hangar and environmental insurance can cover oil leaks or any fuel spills and it is not a separate insurance. Discussion took place about the value of insurance and storage hangars. Mr. Propst gave an overview of the intent for the 15-Year Lease Agreement and the best and highest use of the airport property.

#### **5. OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **6. STAFF REPORT**

SDM General Update – *Andy Schwartz, Brown Field Airport Manager*

- Abatement process for remaining tile work in terminal will begin 9/19/16 replacing the remainder of the tile in lobby and adjoining hallways.
- Conduct hangar inspections on 9/29/16 in conjunction with Fire Marshal.
- Tri pads NOTAM should cancel end of September. It was extended due to tumble weeds.
- Newsletter coming out soon.
- Working with Payco Striping to do touch up striping as part of 26R Construction follow-up in the morning of 9/19/16.
- Select Electric to do some lighting repairs that were rescheduled due to runway construction.

- Over next month Ops staff doing some concrete repairs on Taxiway Alpha.

Mr. Hitchcock inquired about the reason for closing down helicopter pads. Mr. Schwartz responded it was due to the presence of burrowing owls.

MYF General Update – *Matthew Schmitzer, Montgomery Field Airport Manager*

- Water ponding issue was addressed on Runway 5/23 and was opened as of 8/12/16.
- ADA Restroom Remodel Project started 5/9/16 with original completion 9/26/16. Restrooms are open as of 9/9/16. Final completion will be on 9/30/16 including power assist door openers, hand dryer, lighting and other miscellaneous items.
- LRSAT meeting was held on 8/22/16. Issues raised with the windsock and non-standard sign and were resolved.
- Pedestrian gate code was changed on 8/12/16.
- National Air College Hangar inspections conducted on 8/16 – 18/2016.
- On 8/26/16 a car crashed through the fence near gate 12 (Spiders) and approximate damage was \$2,000 cost in repair.
- Mayoral visit was on 8/31/16.
- The tree near 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron was removed due to Caltrans inspection and Part 77 airspace violation.
- An Airport User/Pilot Outreach Meeting was conducted on 9/8/16 with a very good turnout and anticipating on conducting these meetings quarterly.
- Purchase order was approved for 2<sup>nd</sup> Monument Sign on the adjacent corner of John J. Montgomery Drive and will include letters, wall and tenant name plates. The installation will occur in 4 to 6 weeks.
- Waiting on approval for annual striping contract. Once approved, will stripe a movement and non-movement area boundary on new SDFD Pad. This will open Taxiway Charlie. City Streets has accepted the job to overlay Taxiway Charlie. The estimated date is 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January costing approximately \$120,000. Airports will then stripe Taxiway Charlie.

Mr. Friedmann inquired about the leak on 5/23. Mr. Schmitzer responded when the new suitable base material was put in on three sides of the Runway it disrupted the natural flow of ground water. New drains have alleviated the problem.

Mr. Schmitzer reminded everyone the pedestrian gate codes are changed quarterly, and he will send notices 5 days in advance. Anyone needing notification should contact Mr. Schmitzer.

Mr. Sluka inquired about when the hold stripes will be put on 5/23 at Hotel. Mr. Schmitzer stated that they will not be put on 5/23, because it was not approved by the Airport District Office during this construction project. Also, G1 sign was to arrive on 9/9/16 and waiting on installation.

Ms. Porter inquired about when the Taxiway M signs will come in. Mr. Schmitzer responded 4 to 6 weeks after the G1 signs.

MYF Tower Update – *Wayne Reiter reported for Tom Dray who could not attend*

- TFR's in effect for 3-mile radius around Qualcomm Stadium and up to 3,000 feet AGL during the Chargers and Aztecs football games, and no pattern work or multiple approaches. TFR's activate automatically one hour before the scheduled start of game and end one hour after game ends.

- Miramar Air Show on 9/22 – 25/2016. There will be periods north of 28R will not be available can accommodate straight-in and straight out traffic, but no north pattern work for either fixed-wing or helicopters. The entire airspace will be closed during the Blue Angels practice and show.

Real Estate Update – *Mr. Saladin reported for Property Agent, Brandi Mulvey who could not attend* Twenty year lease was renegotiated with an existing tenant, Otay Terminal Calle Fortunada LLC, for existing parking lot on NE side of MYF. Lease and tenant are the same. Lease will be brought to Council Committee for approval on 9/24/16.

Noise & Special Projects – *Wayne Reiter, Airports Program Manager*

- Master plan update: Contract is with C&S consultant. C&S will sign the contract, fill out forms and send back this week. Total for the project is \$1.758 million.
- Currently there are two grants and each is half a million dollars for a total of \$1,000,000. Next step is to take it to Council next month or November and get approval for the grants. It goes to Council committee first and then it takes about a month to go to Council. The plan is to start the project by the end of 2016.
- Use the as-needed contract with Atkins to do a feasibility study for Fire Department Air Operations and will put together a design of what the facility would look like. The Fire Department will be using Airport's contract.
- The advertisement for Airport's Biologist went out and have a list of candidates. Parks and Recreation will assist Airports with the interview processed as they need a Biologist as well. Dr. Aldrich inquired as to why a Biologist is needed at Airports. Mr. Reiter responded rather than hiring consultant who costs a lot and a long time for contracts, Airports will hire their own Biologist.
- New features were added to the Airport's website which will allow people to request updates and ability to add comments and/or questions on page as well. The fillable page for comments and/or questions will be sent straight to Mr. Reiter.
- The FAA issued a FONSI/ROD for the SoCal Metroplex environmental assessment, which allows the FAA to alter flight procedures in the Southern California airspace to take advantage of NextGen, starting in November.

Ms. Ander inquired about the luncheon. Mr. Reiter responded it is scheduled for Tues, Dec 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 – 1:00 p.m. at 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron.

SDM Metro Airpark Update – *Nici Boon, MAP Project Manager*

Ms. Boon reported they are processing permits and will break ground in December.

Deputy Director Remarks – *Rod Propst, Airports Deputy Director*

- Mr. Propst congratulated Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Schmitzer on their pilot meetings and outreach to the pilot community.
- The business plan was pulled because it will need Financial Management's review to analyze the airport funding and will come back next month.
- Both airport managers are diligently working on re-stucco and painting their airport terminal buildings. It's in this year's budget and goal to get it done by the end of June, 2017.

Ms. Golden inquired how to get on the notification list for future pilot meetings and if the AAC can be added to the list. Mr. Schmitzer responded he will add the AAC to his list.

## **7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Ander announced that on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. there will be a free concert at the Library on Aero Drive. Music played classical trio. Everyone is invited.

Eddie Kisfaludy and Amanda Stonaker were recognized for flying a Robinson R44 helicopter from London, England to San Diego.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Respectfully,  
Millie Moore