# CITY OF SAN DIEGO AIRPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **ADOPTED MINUTES**

Meeting of October 9, 2018
Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 14
Brown Field Airport, 1409 Continental Street, San Diego, CA 92154

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jackie Ander (Serra Mesa Community), Tom Dray (MYFTower), Buzz Fink (Special Expertise), Buzz Gibbs (Kearny Mesa Community) *arrived late*, Lisa Golden (Otay Mesa Community), Chairman Scott Hasson (Tierrasanta Community), Ron Lee (Brown Field Aviation User Group), Vice Chair Chuck McGill (Montgomery Field Aviation User Group), Tom Reid (Clairemont Community), Tom Ricotta (Brown Field Aviation Lessee), David Ryan (Special Expertise)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jim Aldrich (Montgomery Field Aviation Lessee) *excused*, Rich Martindell (Special Expertise) *excused* 

**STAFF PRESENT:** Charlie Broadbent, Patrick Buttermore, Josue Morejon, Millie Moore, Rod Propst, Wayne Reiter, Andy Schwartz

## 1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Hasson called the meeting to order at 3:05 P.M. A quorum was present.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Hasson expressed his appreciation to the EAA for their hospitality. Chairman Hasson requested any comments, changes or deletions to the meeting notes from September 11, 2018. Mr. Lee made motion to approve as written, seconded by Mr. McGill. Chairman Hasson moved to approve, 3 abstentions (Ander, Reid, Ryan), approved as written.

#### 3. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Dave Gordon recognized Mr. Lushbaugh for his diligence in capturing a man who climbed the fence by National Air College/Coast at MYF on Saturday.

Ms. Ander announced that there will be a free concert of classical music on October 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:30 p.m. at Serra Mesa Library and all are welcomed.

Mr. Rothrock announced that the Ramona Air Fair took place last Saturday and EAA flew 41 kids for the Young Eagles program.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

Brown Field 100th year Anniversary

Mr. Schwartz stated Brown Field was founded in 1918 and there will be a celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at Brown Field. There will be food, drinks, guest speakers (Councilmember Alvarez, Melville Brown's granddaughter and Ms. Thompson the Director of READ/Airports), SDPD Honor Guard, static displays aircraft, military, police and fire aircraft. Mr. Propst commented that Lindbergh Field Airport is celebrating only their 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. In 1918, Brown Field was an outlying field for North Island.

## 5. OLD BUSINESS

None

#### 6. STAFF REPORT

#### SDM General Update - Andy Schwartz, Brown Field Airport Manager

- Mr. Schwartz introduced the two newly hired Airport Operations Assistants at Brown Field first Mr. Buttermore who has worked for Brown Field in the past and Mr. Morejon has been working at Brown about 3 months.
- The next Pilots Meeting is on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at the Brown Field terminal building.
- The 5010 inspection is tentatively scheduled for October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Ricotta inquired about the 5010 inspections.

Mr. Propst responded the FAA validates the Master Record of the airport and inspects it.

Ms. Ander inquired about MAP the new business development at Brown Field.

Mr. Reiter responded that went to Smart Growth Committee with the 59 leases and will be going to Council with those leases on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The environmental assessment is still on going. The goal is to break ground next year.

Mr. List commented on the environmental studies. EAA is concerned about some option property.

Mr. Propst responded that all the option property will be guided by the existing lease and MAP will not cut the access.

## SDM Tower Update - Mark Demetris, SDM Tower Manager

Mr. Demetris reported currently have been short on staff, but they have 2 new employees being checked in to work.

Mr. Lee inquired regarding requests of recreational or commercial drones operating within airport. Mr. Demetris responded there have been very few recreational requests. Tower provides only the grid to the FAA for commercial and he explained how it works.

#### MYF General Update - Charles Broadbent, Montgomery-Gibbs Executive Airport Manager

- The Airport User/Pilot Meeting was held September 18 and had a good turnout.
- The 5010 Airport inspection with Caltrans is scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Interviews were conducted September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> for the vacant Utility Worker II Position and the position will be filled by Jamie Ocampo as of October 22<sup>nd</sup>. This brings the Airports to a full staff.
- Airport staff conducted a touch up mow project that took care of the vegetation in critical areas on the airport.
- The final draft for the Mow Contract Scope of Work has been signed off by legal and will go to Purchasing & Contracting for final review.
- Gate codes were changed recently due to a security breech on the Gibbs Flying Service leasehold. Able Patrol and Guard are doing extra patrols in that area.
- A C182RG had a gear up landing on September 20<sup>th</sup> due to the tow bar not being removed before flight. The main gear extended but the nose gear did not. The pilot conducted a text book emergency landing resulting in very little damage. The Tower, Emergency Crews, Operations Staff and Lyle from Gibbs did an excellent job handling this incident.

Vice Chair McGill inquired about the markings on Kilo.

Mr. Broadbent responded the markings are for the crack sealings and contractor is on board and can do it mid-November. It dries in 24 hours.

Mr. Gibbs elaborated on the security incident.

#### <u>MYF Tower Update – Mr. Tom Dray, MYF Tower Manager</u>

- Getting ready to modify VFR on top phraseology.
- Several requests were received for drone operations.

Mr. Lee inquired about how often the LAANC database is checked.

Mr. Dray checks it in the morning and before he leaves in the afternoon around 4:00 p.m.

## Real Estate Update - Mr. Reiter reported for Mr. Hodges, Supervising Property Agent

- Two items will be presented to Smart Growth Land Use Committee. First item is for an amendment with Brown Field Aviation Ventures to grant 4 additional years to construct a minimum of 20,000-foot hangar and receive a 10-year extension to their lease. The second is the approval of fee increase for monthly tiedown rates at MYF.
- Three items were presented to Smart Growth Land Use Committee. The Metro Airpark leases, the Tower lease for Brown Field and Master Plan Contract amendment. Those items are expected to go to Council on October 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Corporate Helicopters at MYF submitted preliminary plans that are to be reviewed by Airports and Development Services.
- Currently working with the survey group to define lease area for the Four Points Hotel.
- The Fire-Rescue Air Ops have ordered an appraisal for the parcel.
- A Public Works sewer project for privatization will be taking place at MYF. The sewer pipe maintenance will be turned over to the Airports Division.

## Noise and Special Projects - Wayne Reiter, Airports Program Manager

- The Master Plan contract amendment went to Smart Growth Land Use and expected to go to Council on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. EIR expected to begin in November.
- Mr. Reiter gave an overview of the Quarterly Noise Report.

Mr. Ray Richmond stated that there is a clicker advertised to use every time an airplane noise is too high and file a formal complaint. He inquired about it being used at MYF.

Mr. Reiter responded a citizen of La Jolla has created an App to report complaints for Lindbergh Field and has created a push button clicker to do the same. Both require a fee.

Mr. Fink requested an update regarding the Customs and Border Protection facility.

Mr. Reiter responded currently waiting on direction from the Mayor's office.

#### <u>Deputy Director Remarks - Rod Propst, Airports Deputy Director</u>

- Mr. Schwartz was recognized for doing a great job on the remodeling of the break room.
- The Airport Business Plan was presented to the Smart Growth and Land Use for this Fiscal Year, which is the same plan presented to Airport Advisory Committee in June and it was well received by the Committee.
- The FAA Re Authorization took place, which is the first new re authorization since 2012. It's \$3.23 billion per year for the next 5 years. It's a constant capital funding until 2023.
- There were a lot of drone restrictions in the bill and everyone is encouraged to review carefully.
- There was no change in ATC. There was a push to privatize it but didn't happen.
- Passenger facility charges remain at \$4.50 and have not been raised since 2001. If PFC is raised, it frees more AIP money for the airport to get discretionary funding. This won't be looked at until 2023.
- The Re Authorization Bill requires that the regional administrator is required to keep track of metroplex activity.

Ms. Ander inquired about the repainting of the MYF airport building.

Mr. Propst responded that airport building has been repainted on the outside and will have pavers put in soon.

Discussion took place regarding the improvement of the Airport's landscaping.

# 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next AAC meeting will be held at MYF on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.

# 8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully, Millie Moore