



Minutes Tempe Aviation Commission May 10, 2016

Minutes of the Tempe Aviation Commission meeting held on May 10, 2016, 6:30 p.m., at the Public Works Conference Room, Garden Level, City Hall Complex, 31 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Lane Carraway (Chair)
Robert Dixon
Shannon Dutton
Jason Forcier (via conference call)
Mark Garrigan
Gordon Gauss (Vice Chair)
John Q. Nunes
Mike Sonenberg

Residents Present:

Caleb Knuth
Kristen Knuth

City Staff Present:

Marilyn DeRosa, *Deputy Public Works Director*
Cassandra Mac, *Management Assistant I*
David McNeil, *Environmental Services Manager*
Melissa Quillard, *Public Info Officer*
Oddvar Tveit, *Environmental Quality Specialist*

(MEMBERS) Absent:

David Naugle

Meeting convened at 6:35 p.m.

Chair Lane Carraway called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

Mr. Caleb Knuth living on Lakeshore Drive in south Tempe talked about the disturbing flight paths, both evening arrivals at different altitudes, and departing planes climbing and turning sharply to the west over the Western Canal.

Agenda Item 2 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes (April 12, 2016)

Chair Lane Carraway asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented.

Motion: Mr. Mike Sonenberg moved to approve the draft minutes. Ms. Shannon Dutton seconded the motion.

Action: The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 3 – Updates from Staff

1. Staffing: David McNeil introduced Cassandra Mac as the new Management Assistant who would be supporting the Tempe Aviation Commission as a liaison to City staff, in addition to her other duties.
2. Outside Communication: David McNeil encouraged members to use their rights as citizens to contact other entities to gather information or discuss issues, but to be mindful to not do so as a Commissioner or as representing the Commission without first seeking consensus from the Commission as a whole.

Agenda Item 4 – Communities as formal stakeholders in FAA's airspace projects

Mr. John Q. Nunes explained the background for a drafted letter he proposed be sent to the FAA requesting the inclusion of the residents of the City of Tempe and other cities surrounding PHX as stakeholders in the NextGen implementation process.

Motion: Mr. Mark Garrigan moved for the Commission to accept the draft letter and provide it to staff as the basis for a letter to be sent from the Mayor to the FAA. Mr. Mike Sonenberg seconded the motion.

Action: The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5 – Outreach to south Tempe residents, and ways for residents to provide input about flight paths

Chair Lane Carraway discussed a meeting that he had with Shauna Warner, City of Tempe Neighborhood Services Manager, regarding outreach to south Tempe residents and a plan to schedule a future meeting. These meetings are to discuss the need to ensure that information regarding a future aviation meeting is provided to the numerous Home Owner Associations (HOA's) in south Tempe because of south Tempe residents' proximity to new flight paths.

Discussion:

- Melissa Quillard: Answered questions from Commissioners about how the City reaches out to its residents through the water bill, the "Tempe Today" publication, and if it considered using other web applications, e.g. Nextdoor, which some associations find to be an effective communication network. Tempe Today would need a forty-five day advanced notice for any public meeting events. Chair Carraway indicated that he discussed the City's use of Nextdoor at his meeting with Shauna Warner, and that Nextdoor is not being utilized at all by the City.
- Marilyn DeRosa and David McNeil: Emphasized the need to have commission staff coordinate information received from City departments to be used in discussion of Commission business. An update on what is being done by Neighborhood Programs as it relates to HOA outreach will be coordinated by Commission staff liaison Cassandra Mac.

Follow-up: HOA outreach status will be provided to the Commission at the meeting next month.

Agenda Item 6 – Noise monitoring site locations in Tempe

Oddvar Tveit: Showed and explained maps of:

- a) Existing eight fixed noise monitoring sites in Tempe for the Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport.
- b) Additional sites proposed by the Commission and the North Tempe Neighborhood Association.

Proposed monitoring sites overlaid by flight track data and Area Navigation (RNAV) departure procedure waypoints.

Discussion:

- Mr. Mark Garrigan and Mr. John Q Nunes proposed that the Commission's focus be to establish monitoring sites in south Tempe where there are no data available and where there is a need to measure noise exposure over time to capture the impacts of existing and future growth in air traffic volumes.
- Mr. John Q. Nunes explained that some of the sites proposed by NTNA are too close together or too close to existing fixed monitoring sites. He suggested monitors in south Tempe be established first and then proposed sites in north Tempe except the site listed as number one at 1451 North El Camino Drive, which is redundant.
- Ms. Shannon Dutton suggested that the Commission should not prioritize sites based on what moneys could be available. All proposed sites should be forwarded with a request to get sites added in south Tempe first.

Motion: Mr. Mike Sonenberg moved to direct City staff to communicate to Mayor and Council the Commission's recommendation to create additional noise monitoring sites at four locations in south Tempe or at sites on the alternate list, and then, at a lower priority, other sites in north Tempe listed as two, three, and four, in no particular order. Mr. John Q. Nunes seconded the motion.

Action: The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 7 – PHX approach noise mitigation

The members agreed to table the topic, referring it to Agenda Item 8.

Agenda Item 8 – Commissioners' business

- Invitation to City of Phoenix to update the Commission and discuss outstanding topics, in addition to the following:
 - The handling of smartphone app complaints.
 - Monthly "4-DME Gate" deviation notifications to airlines and what actions were taken by the airport.
- Update on outreach to Home Owner Associations in south Tempe.
- Meeting schedule over the summer months.

Agenda Item 9 – Schedule next TAVCO meeting

Action: The next meeting date for the Commission was scheduled for June 14, 2016.

Agenda Item 10 – Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Mike Sonenberg moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Mark Garrigan seconded the motion.

Action: The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Prepared by: Oddvar Tveit

Reviewed by: David McNeil

Authorized Signature
Environmental Services Manager