



Minutes Tempe Aviation Commission November 8, 2016

Minutes of the Tempe Aviation Commission meeting held on November 8, 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
Gordon Gauss (Vice-Chair)
Mark Garrigan
David Naugle
John Q. Nunes
Mike Sonenberg

City Staff Present:

Cassandra Mac, *Management Assistant I*
Oddvar Tveit, *Environmental Quality Specialist*

Meeting convened at 6:32 p.m.

Chair Lane Carraway called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

Agenda Item 2 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes (October 11, 2016)

Lane Carraway asked for comments to the drafted minutes, and a motion to approve.

Motion: Mr. Robert Dixon moved to approve the drafted minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mark Garrigan.

Action: The October meeting minutes were approved by seven votes. One member abstained from voting.

Agenda Item 3 –Noise Abatement Subcommittee

Mr. John Q. Nunes updated the members on issues discussed by the noise abatement subcommittee:

- a.) The publication of a flyer that inform pilots about noise neighbor friendly airport operations at PHX, based on a format used by the Miami International Airport. The intent of the publication is to get the airlines to be good neighbors by applying noise abatement operational procedures on a voluntarily basis.
- b.) Creation of a noise abatement office that could have representation from the communities that are affected by PHX operations. This would not be a forum as large as the Phoenix Airspace Users Working Group, which has representatives from all the valley airports, air traffic towers, the PHX TRACON and other parts of the FAA and large number of commercial, private and military users of the PHX airspace.
- c.) Ideas about what such a noise office could be working has also been discussed by the subcommittee:
 - Build on and improve the established noise abatement flight corridors at PHX and include both departure and arrival operations to get aircraft to fly over the natural riverbed alignment to higher altitudes, like 6,000 feet, before making turns to a route destination on departure from PHX, and stay

at higher altitudes when making turns to intercept the parallel approach paths on both sides of the airport.

- Include the same or similar noise abatement corridors for general aviation traffic, which is likely to reduce traffic by smaller aircraft during the hours of the day when air traffic peaks at PHX. This could result in a scheduling system for smaller aircraft at PHX deferring them to off peak hours, or to pay higher fees during peak hours.

Discussions: The members discussed what action would be necessary to present the idea of establishing a noise office (or roundtable) with multi-jurisdictional representation that could be supported by Tempe Councilmembers and be acceptable to the City of Phoenix, the owner and operator of PHX.

Motion: Ms. Shannon Dutton moved to direct staff to come back to the commission at a special meeting next week with a written memorandum about what would be required of formal nature for a noise office with multi-jurisdictional representation to be created. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mike Sonenberg.

Action: The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 4 – Annual Report

A final version of a draft report for 2016 was presented to commissioners.

Discussions: The members discussed the draft and suggested minor edits me made to the final draft.

Motion: Mr. Robert Dixon moved to approve the report with the proposed edits. The motion was seconded by Mr. John Q Nunes.

Action: The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5 – Commissioners' business

Conduct a special meeting to discuss staff input on a noise office and appropriate time and venue for when to introduce a potential recommendation to the City Council.

Agenda Item 6 – Schedule Next TAVCO Meeting

Action: A special meeting was scheduled to take place on November 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Public Works Engineering Conference Room.

Agenda Item 7 – Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Robert Dixon moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Mark Garrigan seconded the motion.

Action: The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m. by a unanimous vote.

Prepared by: Oddvar Tveit and Cassandra Mac

Reviewed by: David McNeil