

VAN NUYS AIRPORT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
Tuesday, September 1, 2015
MINUTES

A meeting of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Elliot Sanders. Members present: Elliot Sanders, Don Schultz, Ron Merkin, David Rankell, Wayne Williams, Mel Roberts, Harold Lee, Gerald Silver, Laurence Rabe, Cindy Goodfellow, Vahid Khorsand, Kathy Delle Donne, Roger Oeland, Wendy Saunders, John Parker

Members Absent: David Bernardoni, Jason Price

The Council vacancies as of March 3, 2015 are as follows: One appointment from Councilmember Felipe Fuentes' Office.

The minutes from the August 4, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

1.) STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Romo discussed the No Early Turn issue and the continued meetings with various flight schools. He stated Phase 2 of this issue will be more outreach. He stated there has been a downward trend in reported complaints.

Mr. Romo presented the final proof, subject to adjustments, of the Pilot Guide map. (Map attached) He stated the final version will be presented to the CAC at the October or November CAC Meeting.

A. Year in Preview Report – Discussion/Action

Mr. Romo discussed the CAC Year in Preview Report. (Attached) Mr. Romo added one additional item to the report, the 2016 Friendly Flyer Awards Luncheon to be held in the 2nd quarter of 2016. He stated that CAC will again be invited to attend this luncheon.

B. LAWA RFP Process Presentation – Discussion/Action

Mr. Romo discussed the RFP/RFB Process. (Attached)

Mr. Silver stated he would like to move to create an Ad-Hoc Committee to discuss RFP criteria.

Mr. Sanders asked that Mr. Silver and Mr. Williams bring a proposal to October CAC Meeting.

Mr. Robert Rodine, member of the public, encouraged everyone read an RFP. He stated the Master Plan provides general guidelines.

2.) REPORT FROM CHAIR

Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz met with Deborah Flint the new Executive Director of LAWA. She indicated she might attend a CAC meeting in the future. They discussed the Early Turn issue and many other issues during the meeting. Mr. Sanders stated he was very impressed by her. Mr. Schultz found out from an LAX Community Activist that she is very receptive of the public and is not afraid to go out and speak to the public. If she attends a CAC Meeting, this would be the first time an Executive Director attends.

Mr. Sanders stated they also met with Steve Martin, Chief Operating Office of LAWA, and discussed various issues. Mr. Martin advised them the CAC is making a terrific change and vocalizing issues and applauded the CAC. Mr. Sanders stated the Custom's Ribbon Cutting went very well and he was impressed by the almost 100 clearances at the facility.

**A. Working Group Reports – Discussion/Action
Membership – David Rankell, Chairperson**

Nothing to report

Outreach – Ron Merkin, Chairperson

Nothing to report.

By Laws – Don Schultz, Chairperson

Nothing to report.

VNY Noise Issues – Gerald Silver, Chairperson

Mr. Silver raised two questions: Is there a monitoring mechanism in place that follows up to make sure when an aircraft coming in is there for a bonafide repair? Is putting in Customs at VNY increasing jet traffic at VNY?

VNY Helicopter Issues – Wayne Williams, Chairperson

Mr. Williams stated they are rapidly losing visibility off of the WebTrak and off the Los Angeles Helicopter Noise Tracking System. He stated there is another tracking system called flightradar24.com. This site will provide users flight tracking, real time for all commercial flights all around the world. It will provide the users with the tail number, who owns the aircraft, how high, how fast, and where they are going.

Social Media Outreach – Vahid Khorsand, Chairperson

Mr. Khorsand made a Powerpoint presentation regarding this new committee and the Facebook page for Van Nuys Airport CAC. (Attached) Mr. Sanders stated he and Mr. Khorsand will both control what goes up on the CAC Facebook page.

3.) BOAC AGENDA ITEMS CONCERNING VNY

Mr. Romo discussed the agenda items for the BOAC Meeting on August 20, 2015.

5. [RESOLUTION NO. - Join Houston-Galveston Area Council Contract RA05-15 with Motorola Solutions, Inc.: For maintenance, programming, repair, monitoring, and related equipment purchases and services for the digital trunked radio system for an amount not to exceed \\$2,224,000](#)

PURPOSE: Provide the maintenance, programming, repairs, materials, operational monitoring, and other related services for Los Angeles World Airports' digital trunked radio system, excluding hand-held and mobile units. Maintenance of handheld and in-car subscriber units will be handled under another contract (Bear Communications, Inc.).

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; further find that pursuant to Administrative Code Section 10.15(a)(10) under the circumstances presented that the services sought in this contract (i.e., the provision, installation, planning, design, implementation related to telecommunication infrastructure services etc.), are such that the use of competitive bidding would be undesirable; approve Los Angeles World Airports' joining Houston-Galveston Area Council Contract RA05-15 with Motorola

Solutions, Inc. for three (3) years or until the expiration of the Houston-Galveston Area Council contract, whichever occurs first, for the digital trunked radio system maintenance, materials, repair, monitoring, and related materials and services for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,224,000; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said Contract upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (Dominic Nessi, 424-646-5001)

6. [RESOLUTION NO. - Award a three \(3\)-year Contract to Bear Communications, Inc.: For analog radio system and all analog and digital hand-held and in-car radio maintenance, repair, related services and purchases at Los Angeles World Airports for a total amount not to exceed \\$1,113,500](#)

PURPOSE: Provide materials and services to keep LAWA's Analog Radio System and all analog and digital hand-held and in-car radios fully operational at all times.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; approve award of a three (3)-year contract to Bear Communications, Inc. for analog radio system maintenance, repair, materials, and related services at Los Angeles World Airports for a total amount not to exceed \$1,113,500; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said contract upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (Dominic Nessi, 424-646-5001)

8. [RESOLUTION NO. - Award a three \(3\)-year Contract to A to Z Glass and Mirror, Inc.: For purchase, installation, repairs, and maintenance of glass, mirrors, and storefront systems for Los Angeles World Airports for an overall cost not to exceed \\$1,005,000 over the term](#)

PURPOSE: Establish a contract for the purchase, installation, repairs, and maintenance of glass, mirrors and storefront systems at Los Angeles International Airport, LA/Ontario International Airport, and Van Nuys Airport.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to by Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; approve award of a three (3)-year contract to A to Z Glass and Mirror, Inc. for purchase, installation, repairs, and maintenance of glass, mirrors and storefront systems for amounts not to exceed \$945,000 at Los Angeles International Airport, \$45,000 at LA/Ontario International Airport, \$15,000 at Van Nuys Airport, and overall amount not to exceed \$1,005,000; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said contract upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (David Shuter, 424-646-5111)

10. [RESOLUTION NO. - Join four \(4\) City of Los Angeles Contracts: ACCO Engineered Systems Contract No. 59630, Applied Air Conditioning, Inc. Contract No. 59629, F.M. Thomas Air Conditioning Service Contract No. 59631, and Johnson Controls, Inc. Contract No. 59632 for installation, replacement and repair of large heating, ventilation, air conditioning equipment and parts for Los Angeles World Airports; and award a separate contract to each company, expiring March 31, 2020, for an overall cost not to exceed \\$2,334,375 over the term](#)

PURPOSE: Establish contracts for the installation, replacement and repair of large heating, ventilation, air conditioning equipment, parts and services at Los Angeles International Airport, Van Nuys Airport, and LA/Ontario International Airport.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to by Article III Class 2(6) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; approve joining four (4) City of Los Angeles contracts – ACCO Engineered Systems (Contract No. 59630), Applied Air Conditioning, Inc. (Contract No. 59629), F. M. Thomas Air Conditioning Service (Contract No. 59631), and Johnson Controls, Inc. (Contract No. 59632) for installation, replacement and repair of large heating, ventilation, air conditioning equipment and parts, and award a separate contract to each company, expiring on March 31, 2020, and each contract for an amount not to exceed \$2,250,000 at Los Angeles International Airport and Van Nuys Airport, \$84,375 for LA/Ontario International Airport, and an overall amount not to exceed \$2,334,375; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said contracts upon approval as to form by the City Attorney and upon approval by the Los Angeles City Council. (David Shuter, 424-646-5111)

11. *RESOLUTION NO. - Award a three (3)-year Contract to Performance Abatement Services: For asbestos, lead paint, and mold abatement services for Los Angeles World Airports for an overall cost not to exceed \$3,000,000*

PURPOSE: Establish a three (3)-year contract for asbestos, lead paint, and mold abatement services at Los Angeles International Airport, Van Nuys Airport, LA/Ontario International Airport, and the area adjacent to the site formerly known as the LA/Palmdale Regional.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to by Article III Class 1(4) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; approve award of a three (3)-year contract to Performance Abatement Services for asbestos, lead paint, and mold abatement services for an amount not to exceed \$2,550,000 at Los Angeles International Airport, \$150,000 at LA/Ontario International Airport, \$150,000 at Van Nuys Airport, \$150,000 at the area adjacent to the site formerly known as the LA/Palmdale Regional Airport, and an overall amount not to exceed \$3,000,000; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said contract upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (David Shuter, 424-646-5111)

15. *RESOLUTION NO. - First Amendment to Contract DA-4775 with Office Depot, Inc.: To extend term to September 30, 2017 for purchase of general office supplies, with an increased cost not to exceed \$1,500,000 over the term*

PURPOSE: Purchase general office supplies through a City of Los Angeles contract awarded after a competitive procurement process.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; approve First Amendment to Contract DA-4775 with Office Depot, Inc. for general office supplies to extend to September 30, 2017, and to increase authority by \$600,000 for a total not to exceed

\$1,500,000; and authorize the Executive Director to execute First Amendment upon approval as to form by the City Attorney and upon approval by the Los Angeles City Council. (Samson Mengistu, 424-646-6251)

18. [RESOLUTION NO. - Award separate three \(3\)-year Contracts to ICF SH&E, Inc. and Innovative Emergency Management, Inc.: For expert emergency management services at Los Angeles World Airports for an aggregate cost not to exceed \\$3,000,000](#)

PURPOSE: Establish two (2) separate three (3)-year on-call contracts for expert emergency management services at Los Angeles International Airport, LA/Ontario International Airport, and Van Nuys Airport, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to by Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; approve award of separate three (3)-year contracts to ICF SH&E, Inc. and Innovative Emergency Management, Inc. for expert emergency management services at Los Angeles International Airport, LA/Ontario International Airport, and Van Nuys Airport, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,000,000; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said contracts upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (Jacqueline Yaft, 424-646-5060)

19. [RESOLUTION NO. - Appropriate Capital Funds for Memorandum of Agreement DA-4704 with City of Los Angeles General Services Department Construction Forces Division: To provide construction services and materials for Los Angeles World Airports for a cost not to exceed \\$7,106,010](#)

PURPOSE: Enable General Services Department Construction Forces Division to continue providing construction services and materials necessary to deliver approved capital projects at Los Angeles World Airports' facilities. This action does not increase the current Memorandum of Agreement authority of \$32,000,000.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; and appropriate capital funding in the amount of \$7,106,010 to Memorandum of Agreement DA-4704 bringing the total appropriation to \$32,000,000. (Roger Johnson, 424-646-7557)

20. [RESOLUTION NO. - Reimbursements to Los Angeles City Controller's Office or direct payments to KH Consulting Group: For conducting the Industrial, Economic, and Administrative Survey of Los Angeles World Airports as required by the City Charter for a cost not to exceed \\$600,000](#)

PURPOSE: To make payments to KH Consulting for conducting the Industrial, Economic and Administrative Survey as required by the City Charter and administered by the Controller, Chief Legislative Analyst (on behalf of the City Council) and Mayor.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act

(CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; and approve reimbursements of invoices paid by City Controller's Office or direct payments to KH Consulting for conducting the Industrial, Economic and Administrative Survey. (Samson Mengistu, 424-646-6251)

22. RESOLUTION NO. - Fourth Amendment to Contract DA-4561 with GCR, Inc.: To extend the term for twelve (12) months through September 14, 2016 for operations and maintenance support for the Security Credentialing System, and increase contract authority by \$380,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$5,649,800

PURPOSE: To provide operations and maintenance support for Los Angeles World Airports' (LAWA) new Credentialing System used by the Security Badge Office to provide approximately 50,000 credentials (badges) to LAWA employees, and other contractors and vendors working at Los Angeles International Airport.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III Class 1(18)(c) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; approve the Fourth Amendment to Contract DA-4561 to extend the term for twelve (12) months and increase funds in the amount of \$380,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$5,649,800; and authorize the Executive Director to execute the Fourth Amendment upon approval as to form by the City Attorney and approval by the Los Angeles City Council. (Dominic Nessi, 424-646-5001)

Ms. Romo stated the next BOAC Meeting is on September 17, 2015.

Mr. Rankell asked Mr. Romo about the Ontario Airport transfer to the Ontario Airport Authority and when it will be finalized.

Mr. Romo stated an agreement has been reached through a letter of intent between both cities to draft up a settlement agreement that sets aside the lawsuit and provides for a transfer of the airport subject to the financial terms that were laid out. The next step is to go back to the Board sometime in October for the Board to consider it on a parallel but separate path. The City of Ontario will present that to its City Council, the Ontario International Airport Authority will present it to its Commission. He stated on our end it goes to the Board, Council Committee, and full Council by the end of the calendar year. Then the FAA has to go through its various processes for the official transfer. Anywhere from next summer to next fall might be the actual transfer date.

4.) PUBLIC COMMENT – NON-AGENDA ITEMS - Discussion

Mr. Craig Welzbacher, member of the public, stated Encore Flight has not been a problem at all and they were a big problem with Early Turns. The offenders he has noticed lately are US Aviators, a plane from Camarillo Airport, and a Santa Monica Airport Flight School. He stated he has seen positive change and will keep the CAC posted. He suggested the map for the Pilot Guide have the homes in the flight path highlighted.

Mr. Romo stated all areas are noise sensitive and they cannot highlight specific areas.

Mr. Ed Burnham, member of the public, stated he owns a home in Encino and in the last few months they have been woken up every night multiple times due to aircraft noise. The noise has been unbearable and he is concerned this will affect property values.

Ms. Elaine Newman, member of the public, stated she owns a home in Encino and was woken up five times on Saturday and Sunday morning with planes flying over. She called Congressman Brad Sherman's Office and they advised her they have been getting a lot of complaints.

5.) NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Officers – Discussion/Action

Mr. Rankell nominated Mr. Elliot Sanders for Chair of the CAC. Mr. Williams seconded this nomination.

Mr. Rankell nominated Mr. Schultz for Co-Chair of the CAC. Mr. Williams seconded this nomination.

All members voted unanimously for Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz as Chair and Co-Chair of the CAC for 2015/2016

6.) OLD BUSINESS

No items were discussed.

7.) EMERGENCY ITEMS SINCE POSTING OF AGENDA – Discussion/Action

No items were discussed.

8.) ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Khorsand thanked all who have "liked" the CAC Facebook page. He stated he lives in Encino and since the flight schools have been contacted he has noticed flight turning after the 101. He stated Ericsson Sky Crane is looking for dates that the CAC want to take a tour.

Mr. Oeland spoke to the Super Scoopers representative and they will give a tour to the CAC and they just need a couple of days' notice.

Mr. Silver stated this was a good meeting.

Ms. Delle Donne congratulated Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz.

Ms. Rabe stated it is great to see Customs back at VNY. She asked if they could get reports of how many flights are being cleared and staying here how many are transients.

Mr. Romo stated they can ask for this information.

Mr. Williams stated he is concerned with more noise based on volume. He recommended to Mr. Khorsand to put the phone number to report noise complaints on a banner on Facebook.

Ms. Saunders thanked Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz for their service. She stated the Mid-Valley YMCA Gala will be held on September 24 at the Castle & Cooke Hangar. They will be honoring Senator Bob Herzberg and Retired LAPD Captain Greg Meyer. Please contact Ms. Saunders for details and tickets.

Ms. Goodfellow thanked Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz for their service.

Mr. Schultz thanked all for the vote. He also stated a future agenda item for October or November should be the new noise complaints from residents of Encino.

Mr. Sanders thanked the CAC for their confidence in him.

Mr. Merkin thanked Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz for their service.

Mr. Lee congratulated Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz.

Mr. Rankell thanked Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schultz for their service. He stated he is pleased that there is some movement on the Early Turn issue and thanked LAWA for the outreach efforts. He stated this will be an ongoing issue that will be monitored.

Mr. Roberts stated he appreciates the outreach efforts and he has been hearing more noise in Encino.

9) ADJOURNMENT:

8:49 p.m.