

VAN NUYS AIRPORT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
Tuesday, October 4, 2016

A meeting of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Elliot Sanders. Members present: Elliot Sanders, David Rankell, Gerald Silver, Mel Roberts, Ron Merkin, Jason Price, Harold Lee, Cindy Goodfellow, Craig Welzbacher, Roger Oeland, Vahid Khorsand, Kathy Delle Donne, Wayne Williams, Laurence Rabe, John Parker

Members Absent: Wendy Saunders

The Council vacancies as of September 6, 2016 are as follows: Two appointments from Councilmember Felipe Fuentes' Office.

The minutes from the September 6, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

1.) STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the VNY operation statistics, the Year in Preview will be provided to the CAC in November, the removal of the dirt pile on the north, and the Sherman Way tunnel cleaning schedule.

Sergeant Gilbert addressed the council as it relates to the airport trespasser incident on September 26, 2016.

2.) REPORT FROM CHAIR

Mr. Sanders addressed the council as it relates to the By Law Committee formerly chaired by Mr. Schultz is now vacant and requests all those who are interested to email him.

Mr. Sanders addressed the council as it relates to the Santa Monica Airport issue.

A. 2016 Holiday Party – Discussion/Action

Mr. Sanders addressed the council as it relates to the 2016 CAC/LAXAAC Holiday Party to take place on December 8, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the LAX Flight Path Learning Center.

B. Working Group Reports – Discussion/Action

Membership – David Rankell, Chairperson

Mr. Rankell addressed the council as it relates to the two CAC vacancies from Council District 7 who has a vacant Councilmember seat at this time.

Outreach & Communications – Ron Merkin, Chairperson

Nothing to report.

VNY Noise Issues – Gerald Silver, Chairperson

Mr. Silver addressed the council as it relates to helicopter noise issues.

VNY Helicopter Issues – Wayne Williams, Chairperson

Mr. Williams addressed the council as it relates to the FAA system for helicopter noise complaints being faulty.

Social Media Outreach – Vahid Khorsand, Chairperson

Nothing to report

Rainwater Reclamation – Craig Welzbacher, Chairperson

Nothing to report.

3.) BOAC AGENDA ITEMS CONCERNING VNY

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the September 21, 2016 BOAC Meeting.

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

Mr. Claude Birch, member of the public, addressed the council as it relates to the helicopter noise and fume smell in his neighborhood.

Mr. Burnham, member of the public, addressed the council as it relates the jet operations information reported at the September CAC Meeting.

Mr. Steve Brackett, member of the public, addressed the council as it relates to helicopter noise and fumes in his neighborhood.

Mr. Rodine, member of the public, addressed the council as it relates to the effect of aircraft fumes on children and adults.

Mr. Rodine, member of the public, addressed the council as it relates to the flight pattern during winds and the effects of these patterns.

5.) NEW BUSINESS

A. 2017 UC Davis Noise Symposium – Discussion/Action

Mr. Sanders addressed the council as it relates to the 2017 UC Davis Noise Symposium to take place from February 26 to March 1, 2017 in Palm Springs and requests all those interested in attending to email him.

B. A-4 Taxilane Fumes and Noise – Discussion Only

Mr. Sanders addressed the council as it relates to Taxilane A-4 and referred to Ms. Margheritis to share her efforts in responding to this issue.

Mr. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to LAWA's efforts in addressing the fume issue and the reach out to the neighbors and VNY operators.

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

Ms. Rabe addressed the council as it relates to noise and environmental issues addressed by the CAC through the years.

Mr. Williams addressed the council as it relates to the CAC being advisory only and discussed the Southern California Air Quality Management District draft report.

Mr. Rankell addressed the council as it relates to helicopter issues and fumes and the public needing to research on the WebTrax system to identify flights before complaining.

Mr. Roberts addressed the council as it relates to Ms. Margheritis' handling of the fumes issue.

Mr. Merkin addressed the council as it relates to notifying the public that the CAC listens to them.

All the CAC members recognized Mr. Don Schultz for his 31 years of service with the CAC.

9) ADJOURNMENT:

8:30 p.m.