A meeting of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Elliot Sanders. Members present: Elliot Sanders, John Parker, Ron Merkin, Mel Roberts, Wayne Williams, Gerald Silver, Kathy Delle Donne, Harold Lee, Cindy Goodfellow, Araz Parseghian

Absent: Roger Oeland, Jason Price, David Rankell, Laurence Rabe, Wendy Saunders

The Council vacancies as of April 3, 2018 are as follows: One appointment from Councilmember Monica Rodriguez Council District 7; one member from Councilmember Bob Blumenfield Council District 3; one member from Councilmember Nury Martinez Council District 6

The minutes from the February 6, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

1.) STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Margheritis discussed the VNY Air Traffic Control Tower refurbishing project. This project is now complete. The temporary Air Traffic Control Tower is expected to be dismantled in the next month.

Ms. Margheritis updated the council on the Jet Aviation construction project, which is underway.

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council, as it relates to VNY Statistics: She reported an increase in aircraft operations of 31.84% in February 2018 as compared to February 2017.

Ms. Sanchez advised the council on upcoming VNY event dates: Aviation Career Day 4/27/18, 90th Anniversary Celebration May 24, 2018 (Save the Date), Prop Park Fly-In September 14 – 16, 2018. A summary of these dates will be sent to all council members.

Lt. Lau addressed the council as it relates to a trespassing incident at Bull Creek on March 16, 2018. Suspect was apprehended and taken into custody and was issued a 36-month “Stay Away” order.

Mr. Parker introduced and welcomed Mr. Araz Parseghian as the newly appointed CAC Councilmember from Council District 7.

Mr. Parseghian stated he is looking forward to his new appointment and talked briefly about his background.

Mr. Silver recognized an improvement in the February 6, 2018 meeting minutes.

A. BOAC Agenda Items Concerning VNY – Discussion/Action

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the BOAC meeting, which occurred February 15, 2018, in which there were three agenda items pertaining to VNY; the March 1, 2018 BOAC meeting had one item pertaining to VNY; the March 15, 2018 BOAC meeting was cancelled. The next meeting will take place April 5, 2018. There are no items, which pertain to VNY.
2.) REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Mr. Sanders welcomed Mr. Parseghian and invited him for an airport tour.

Mr. Sanders explained he took the liberty of cancelling last month’s meeting due to no agenda items.

A. Working Group Reports – Discussion/Action

   Membership – John Parker, Chairperson
   Mr. Parker addressed the council as it relates to the one vacancy in CD 3, one vacancy in CD 6, and one vacancy in CD 7.

   Outreach & Communications – Ron Merkin, Chairperson
   Nothing to report.

   VNY Noise Issues – Gerald Silver, Chairperson
   Mr. Silver addressed the council as it relates to Noise report delivery issues.

   VNY Helicopter Issues – Wayne Williams, Chairperson
   Mr. Williams informed the council on a press release regarding the FAA final rejection of a petition from the Los Angeles Area Noise Coalition. This petition can be viewed by referencing the following link: lahelicopternoise.org

   Mr. Williams commended Los Angeles City Fire for their efforts to lessen the helicopter noise impact and introduced Captain Adam Knabe of Los Angeles City Fire Air Operations Station 114.

   Captain Knabe expressed how pleased he is with the progress in discussions between the council and Los Angeles City Fire.

   Mr. Sanders suggested Los Angeles City Fire provide updates under Staff Reports.

   Social Media Outreach – Jason Price, Chairperson
   Absent

   Environmental Issues – Vacant

3.) PUBLIC COMMENT – NON-AGENDA ITEMS - Discussion
No items were discussed.

4.) NEW BUSINESS
No Items were discussed.

5.) OLD BUSINESS

A. Taxilane A4 Update – Discussion/Action
Mr. Tony Marlow, Vice President of Aviation Operations & Business Development for Castle & Cooke Aviation, and Mr. Curt Castagna, President/CEO for Aeroplex/Aerolease Group Aviation, addressed the council as it relates to the Taxilane A4 operations. (Powerpoint presentation attached)

B. Metroplex Update and VNY Helicopter Routes – Discussion/Action
Ms. Kathryn Pantoja, Environmental Affairs Officer for LAWA Noise Management addressed the council as it relates to Metroplex Procedures and VNY Helicopter Routes.

6.) EMERGENCY ITEMS SINCE POSTING OF AGENDA – Discussion/Action
No items were discussed.

7.) ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS’ COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS
Mr. Sanders informed the council that Mr. Oeland was taken ill and could not complete his attendance at the Noise Symposium; therefore, there will not be a report.

Mr. Roberts stated this was a worthwhile meeting with good discussion.

Mr. Merkin welcomed Mr. Parseghian.

Mr. Parker welcomed Mr. Parseghian.

Ms. Goodfellow welcomed and thanked Captain Knabe for helping with the Children’s Burn Foundation event at Aerolease.

Ms. Goodfellow thanked Ms. Barba for doing great with the processing of the meeting minutes.

Ms. Barba introduced Ms. Lynda Herrera, the new VNY Senior Administrative Clerk.

Ms. Delle Donne thanked the council for a very interested meeting.

Mr. Williams expressed his appreciation for all the people making an effort to do the right thing.

Mr. Williams also commented on how far this council has gone as opposed to 23 years ago.

Mr. Parseghian thanked the council for welcoming him. He also commented regarding his flight hours and his awareness in the logistics of the arrival procedures at the Van Nuys and Burbank Airports.

Mr. Silver commented on an email regarding using money from the Federal Government to sue the FAA.

Mr. Sanders thanked everyone for the updates.

8) ADJOURNMENT:
8:24 p.m.