

**VAN NUYS AIRPORT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2019**

A meeting of the Van Nuys Airport (VNY) Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Jason Price. Members present: Jason Price, David Rankell, Mel Roberts, Wayne Williams, Cindy Goodfellow, Araz Parseghian, Gerald Silver, Ron Merkin, Roger Oeland, Harold Lee, John Parker, Laurence Rabe

Absent: Kathy Delle Donne, Wendy Saunders, Leonel Fuentes

The minutes from the February 4, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

I. STAFF REPORTS:

A. Flora Margheritis, Airport Manager:

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the VNY statistics: She reported 17,368 aircraft operations in January 2019 which represents a 9.04% decrease in operations compared to January 2018.

Ms. Margheritis stated she does not expect the same increase in operations as there was in calendar year 2018.

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the arrival of the Airforce Thunderbirds Squadron. Ms. Margheritis stated the Thunderbirds are here for a fly-over in Hollywood to celebrate the premier of the Captain Marvel movie and are due to depart on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 11:30am.

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as relates to the current ban of special events inside aircraft hangars and warehouses within the city of Los Angeles. Ms. Margheritis stated LAWA staff, LAWA tenants and other stakeholders have been working with the Mayor's office, LADBS and LAFD to draft an ordinance to possibly lift this ban.

Ms. Margheritis gave an update regarding VNY southerly departures. Ms. Margheritis stated presentations were made by VNY staff at the BOAC meeting on February 7, 2019 and by LAWA staff at the TTT Committee meeting on February 19, 2019. Ms. Margheritis stated that on February 27, 2019 the L.A. City Council approved the TTT recommendations on consent. Ms. Margheritis stated that upon the L.A. City Council's motion LAWA drafted a letter to the FAA requesting a review of the RNAV flight procedures at VNY consistent with Section 175. Ms. Margheritis stated she will continue to provide updates to the council on a monthly basis.

Mr. Silver requested a copy of the southerly departures motion letter from the L.A. City Council be included in the minutes for today's meeting. (attached)

Ms. Margheritis announced the resignation of commissioner Daar from the BOAC.

B. Christian Moreno, Chief of Operations:

Mr. Moreno updated the council regarding the Taxiway Bravo rehabilitation project. Mr. Moreno stated that the first phase of this project has been affected by rain delays the expected completion date is now March 23, 2019. Mr. Moreno reminded the council that construction project updates can be found on the VNY website: (<https://www.iflyvny.com/en/construction-update>).

Mr. Moreno addressed the council as it relates to the Taxiway Alpha rehabilitation project. Mr. Moreno announced the project is currently at 30% design and expected to be at 60% design by mid-April.

Mr. Moreno announced the Propeller Park has started the final phase of construction and is expected to be completed in December 2019.

Mr. Moreno addressed the council as it relates to the Jet Aviation FBO project. Mr. Moreno stated the project is on schedule and should be completed in July 2019.

C. Diana Sanchez, Director of Public and Community Relations:

Ms. Margheritis gave a staff report on behalf of Diana Sanchez.

Ms. Margheritis announced to the council that LAWA is accepting summer internship applications. Ms. Margheritis provided the website (<https://lawa.ninjagig.com/>) for more information regarding the internships. Ms. Margheritis advised the council this email address will be forwarded to all council members by the VNY CAC Secretary.

Ms. Margheritis announced Aviation Career Day will take place on May 2, 2019 at the Propeller Park.

Ms. Margheritis announced the date of the LAX Airport People Mover ground breaking ceremony schedule for March 14, 2019 at LAX.

D. Len Krugler, Environmental Specialist

Mr. Yeung gave a report on behalf of Len Krugler.

Mr. Yeung provided the council with a briefing on the Jet Early Turn and Quiet Departure programs for January and February 2019. The briefing summarized the information contained in the monthly environmental handouts (noise reports attached).

Mr. Yeung announced that due to the increase in noise comments, as of today all written responses will be issued by email (vnynoiseinfo@lawa.org).

E. Lt. Dennis Lau, Officer-in-Charge, Airport Police

Sgt. Beacom addressed the council on behalf of Lt. Lau.

Sgt. Beacom reported there was nothing significant to report since the last CAC meeting on February 4th. 2019.

II. BOAC AGENDA ITEMS CONCERNING VNY-DISCUSSION/ACTION

- A.** Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the following BOAC meetings: the February 7, 2019 BOAC meeting in which there were 3 management reports presented by LAWA pertaining to VNY and two agenda items pertaining to VNY; the February 21, 2019 BOAC meeting in which there were three agenda items pertaining to VNY; the March 7,

2019 meeting was cancelled; the next BOAC meeting will take place on, March 21, 2019. Ms. Margheritis stated the new BOAC member replacing Commissioner Daar will be announced in the near future.

III. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION

A. Election of the Chair – Discussion/Action

Mr. Williams nominated Mr. Parker for Chair.

Mr. Roberts seconded the nomination of Mr. Parker for Chair.

Mr. Parker accepted the nomination for Chair.

Mr. Rankell nominated Mr. Parseghian for Chair.

Ms. Goodfellow seconded the nomination of Mr. Parseghian for Chair.

Mr. Parseghian declined the nomination for Chair.

The following council members voted unanimously in favor of Mr. Parker as Chair:
Mr. Parseghian, Mr. Oeland, Mr. Silver, Ms. Rabe, Mr. Williams, Ms. Goodfellow, Mr. Rankell, Mr. Price, Mr. Merkin, Mr. Lee, Mr. Roberts.

Mr. Price will resume the position of Vice Chair.

IV. REPORT FROM THE WORKING GROUPS

A. Membership – John Parker, Chairperson

Mr. Parker requested that VNY staff reach out to the following council offices in an effort to fill vacancies on the council: one vacancy-council district 12 (Greg Smith), one vacancy - council district 7 (Monica Rodriguez), and one vacancy- council district 6 (Nury Martinez).

V. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Nothing to discuss

VI. OLD BUSINESS – Discussion/Action

No items were discussed.

VII. EMERGENCY ITEMS SINCE POSTING OF AGENDA – Discussion/Action

No items were discussed.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Doren Kauper addressed the council as it relates to noise issues in the Sherman Oaks Area.

Robert Rodine addressed the council as relates to the process of appointing members to the CAC council.

Mr. Parker addressed VNY staff for clarification on the noise curfew at VNY.

Ms. Margheritis stated air traffic control hours are 10:45pm to 6:00am. The curfew applies to departing aircraft whose noise level exceed 74.0 dba as listed in the FAA Advisory Circular pertaining to noise levels. The curfew does not apply to arrivals.

Mr. Merkin addressed the council to request confirmation that VNY has no FedEx or delivery flights arriving or departing.

Ms. Margheritis confirmed VNY has no FedEx or delivery flights.

Mr. Williams addressed staff for clarification on 74.0 decibel rating. Mr. Williams asked if the decibel rating is based on type of aircraft or individual aircraft rating.

Mr. Yeung confirmed the decibel rating is model-specific not based on a single event.

Mr. Oeland reminded the council that there are late night loud aircraft that are emergency flights and outside of the restrictions.

Mr. Silver recommended there be a hand-out drafted in order for the public to understand the curfew at VNY. Mr. Silver stated he has a document he hands out to the public.

Mr. Parker suggested Mr. Silver forward this hand-out for distribution.

IX. ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Parseghian thanked Mr. Rankell for his nomination to Chair. Mr. Parseghian stated he respectfully declined as he needs more time on the council.

Mr. Parseghian congratulated Mr. Parker on his appointment as Chair.

Mr. Oeland commented on the helicopter project he and Mr. Williams began working on about a year ago. Mr. Oeland stated he would like to have this topic placed on the agenda once again in the near future.

Mr. Silver recommended an ongoing agenda item to discuss updates on the southerly departures issues.

Ms. Rabe thanked Mr. Parker for accepting the nomination as chair.

Ms. Rabe stated although the southerly departures noise issue is the hot topic at this time; this council is not only a home owners council.

Mr. Williams commented on his attendance at the TTT committee hearing and the powerful presentation presented by LAWA.

Mr. Williams stated if the FAA does not act soon on the southerly departures noise issue, there will be economic impacts to the city and county that would far exceed the benefit of the Van Nuys Airport.

Mr. Williams suggested the FAA returns to the 2.2 DME waypoint of 2017.

Mr. Williams stated he is looking forward to re-addressing the helicopter noise issue with Mr. Oeland.

Mr. Williams is pleased this board consists of almost half members of the aviation community. He stated this board is a well-balanced and respectful board.

Mr. Williams thanked council members for being in attendance and participating.

Mr. Williams congratulated Mr. Parker and his appointment as chair.

Ms. Goodfellow congratulated Mr. Parker on his appointment as chair.

Mr. Rankell addressed the council as it relates to requesting the change back to the 2.2 DME waypoint of 2017. Mr. Rankell recommends understanding the reason why this waypoint was changed before noise is shifted from one council district to another.

Mr. Price clarified there are no FedEx and UPS flights operating out of the Van Nuys Airport due to Part 121 of the FAA Regulations.

Mr. Price addressed the council as it relates to the 2.2 DME waypoint of 2017.

Mr. Merkin stated noise cannot be moved from one place to another without affecting another group of people.

Mr. Merkin stated discussion is good and is one of the reasons this council is here.

Mr. Merkin addressed the council as it relates to the recommendations made by the BOAC, LAWA, TTT and the City Council. Mr. Merkin reminded the council the FAA response to these recommendations will take time.

Mr. Lee congratulated Mr. Parker on his appointment to Chair.

Mr. Roberts congratulated Mr. Parker on his appointment to Chair.

Mr. Roberts stated he appreciates the council comments.

Mr. Silver suggested the council discuss the possibility of moving the CAC meetings back to Tuesday nights.

Mr. Silver asked staff what meeting day is preferred.

Ms. Margheritis stated staff will support the decision of the council regarding the CAC meeting day.

Mr. Parker requested staff place the meeting day change discussion on the CAC agenda for April.

Ms. Margheritis commented to the council the FlyAway conference room has been reserved for Tuesday nights by another group for the remainder of the year. Staff will have to ask the group if they are willing to change their meetings to another day.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

8:06 p.m.