

VAN NUYS AIRPORT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
Tuesday, February 4, 2020

A meeting of the Van Nuys Airport (VNY) Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Jason Price. Members present: Cindy Goodfellow, Gerald Silver, Wayne Williams, Kathy Delle Donne, Mel Roberts, Laurance Rabe, Robert Rodine, Araz Pareghian, Marykate Harris, Thomas Materna, Lisa Petrus and Eric Robinson.

Absent: Harold Lee, Leonel Fuentes, Wendy Saunders, Roger Oeland, and John Parker.

The minutes from the January 7, 2020 meeting were unanimously approved.

I. STAFF REPORTS:

A. Flora Margheritis, Airport Manager:

Ms. Margheritis announced that the new Chief Financial Officer, Tatiana Starostina started at LAWA on January 21, 2020. Ms. Starostina brings more than 16 years of experience in the aviation industry to LAWA and was most recently with the Port of Oakland.

Ms. Margheritis stated that in December 2019, VNY conducted 16,956 aircraft operations; this represents a 14.93% decrease in operations as compared to December 2018. VNY's total operations for CY 2019 were down by 16.68% as compared to the CY 2018 totals.

Ms. Margheritis noted that jet operations remained relatively flat when comparing CY 2019 to CY 2018.

Ms. Margheritis gave an update on the Metroplex/SFV Task Force:

The Southern San Fernando Valley Airplane Noise Task Force held its fifth meeting on January 15, 2020. It was attended by nearly 300 people, which included a large turnout from Valley Village residents north of the 101 Freeway. The meeting was chaired by Former Mayor Emily Luddy. Highlights of the meeting were:

- HMMH presented a summary of the Task Force purpose and accomplishments to date. They are transitioning from data collection to developing recommendations for the FAA.
- The Task Force received written responses to their submitted questions from the FAA, airports and HMMH; Task Force members asked verbal questions of the FAA, some to which the FAA noted they could not respond due to litigation.
- Four community groups gave presentations: Burbank for Quiet Skies, Parents of LA Unified School District, Save Coldwater Canyon, and Valley Village Homeowners Association.
- The Task Force announced the date of the seventh and final meeting, which is April 1, 2020. The next Task Force meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at the Burbank Marriott Hotel.

Ms. Margheritis announced that the grand opening of Jet Aviation and Gulfstream took place on January 14, 2020. The event was attended by LAWA's Interim CEO, Justin Erbacci, and senior staff of the Jet Aviation and Gulfstream management team.

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the LAWA emergency table-top exercise on February 5, 2020 at the Airtel Plaza Hotel. The purpose of the exercise is to

bring all first-responders together to discuss an emergency scenario and the response/coordination that occurs when responding to an airport emergency. Ms. Margheritis stated that these types of exercises help airport staff and others be better prepared in the event of an airport emergency.

B. Christian Moreno, Chief of Operations

Mr. Moreno updated the council as it relates to the Taxiway Bravo Rehabilitation Project.

Mr. Moreno stated that the project is scheduled for completion on March 13, 2020.

Mr. Moreno addressed the council as it relates to the Taxiway Alpha Rehabilitation Project on the west side of the airport. The construction project is scheduled to begin in early March 2020.

Mr. Moreno addressed the council as it relates to the VNY Table Top training. The purpose of the training is to exercise emergency response with stakeholders, tenants and staff.

C. Diana Sanchez, Director of Public and Community Relations

Ms. Sanchez reminded the council of the Toiletry Drive held by Councilmember Nury Martinez for human trafficking victims.

Ms. Sanchez addressed the council as it relates to Job Shadow Day and Aviation Career Day at VNY. Ms. Sanchez thanked the council members who attended the Brown Act Training. Ms. Sanchez stated that members could find more information on the Brown Act online or at a local library.

D. Len Krugler, Environmental Specialist

Mr. Krugler provided the council with a briefing on the Jet Early Turn and Quiet Departure programs for December 2019 and January 2020. The briefing summarized the information contained in the monthly environmental handouts (noise reports attached).

Mr. Krugler stated that this information can also be found on the LAWA website at www.iFlyVNY.com in the Noise Management section.

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

Lt. Lau addressed the council as it relates to airport security and law enforcement tactical training. Lt. Lau reported there was nothing significant to report since the last CAC meeting on January 7th, 2020.

II. BOAC AGENDA ITEMS CONCERNING VNY

- A.** Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the following BOAC meeting(s): The January 16, 2020 BOAC meeting was canceled; the next regular BOAC meeting will take place on Thursday, February 6th, 2020 at LAX. On the agenda is: A management report titled Metroplex Update and Consideration of Viability of a Voluntary Curfew at Van Nuys Airport. There are 3 items pertaining to VNY that are listed in the consent calendar: the first item is for a Resolution to Award a three year Contract to Best Contracting Services; the second item is for a resolution to amend a contract with NAPA Auto Parts; the third item is for a resolution to approve the Travel Authority for a member of the LAX Community Noise Roundtable and VNY CAC to attend the 2020 UC Davis Aviation Noise and Air Quality Symposium being held in March. Two Regular Items for BOAC Action are: a Resolution requesting authorization from the Board to implement a pilot program for full-service maintenance through a contract with KONE Inc. at LAX and VNY; and a

Resolution requesting Board authorization to pay outstanding invoices to Doty Bros. Equipment Company.

The Chair opened item II BOAC Agenda Items Concerning VNY for public comment:
The following community members spoke during the public comment period:
Ms. Elaine Newman, Resident

III. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION

A. Election of the CAC Vice Chair – Discussion/Action

Mr. Rodine nominated Ms. Goodfellow for Vice Chair.

Ms. Goodfellow accepted Mr. Rodine’s nomination and stated that she is happy to do her part for the council.

Mr. Silver nominated Mr. Williams for Vice Chair.

Mr. Williams accepted Mr. Silver’s nomination and stated he would be happy to serve and help the community in the process.

Mr. Silver addressed the council as it relates to conflict of interest to serve as Vice Chair.

The Chair opened item III A. Election of the CAC Vice Chair for public comment:
The following community members spoke during the public comment period:
Mr. David Rankell, Resident

The following council members voted in favor of Ms. Goodfellow for Vice Chair:
Mr. Parseghian, Ms. Goodfellow, Mr. Rodine, Ms. Petrus.

Mr. Williams was selected as Vice Chair with the votes of the following council members:
Mr. Silver, Ms. Rabe, Mr. Williams, Mr. Roberts, Ms. Delle Donne, Ms. Harris, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Materna.

There was one abstention from Mr. Price.

IV. OLD BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION

A. PPRRY Waypoint – Discussion

Mr. Williams addressed the council as it relates to the motion submitted at the November 2018 CAC meeting. Mr. Williams stated that the council has not received a response for action from the BOAC in response to the submitted motion.

Mr. Materna addressed the council as it relates to the PPRRY Waypoint timeline.
Mr. Materna stated that some of the information provided can be found on the CAC webpage.

The Chair noted that there were some inaccuracies and requested Ms. Margheritis for clarification on the PPRRY timeline

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to clarification of the PPRRY Waypoint timeline. Ms. Margheritis stated that the No Early Turn policy has been in place for many years. Ms. Margheritis noted that Mr. Dan Yeung with LAWA Environmental office was in attendance at the meeting to assist with any clarification on flight paths and noise.

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the 2017 FAA RNAV procedures for VNY. The FAA did conduct an environmental assessment prior to the procedures being published.

Mr. Silver asked for clarification on an environmental assessment.

Ms. Margheritis stated that an Environmental Assessment is a requirement of NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act). During the Environmental Assessment, the FAA conducted workshops for the public; public notice was provided. Ms. Margheritis stated she is not an expert in Environmental Assessments, but it is the process that FAA follows under NEPA.

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the FATKO Waypoint once located at the departure end of Runway 16R. The FATKO Waypoint caused operational challenges for Air Traffic Control and the location of FATKO caused an increase of early turns. In an effort to be proactive LAWA requested the FAA to reevaluate the FATKO Waypoint as it was not consistent with what was originally presented to LAWA during the Environmental Assessment workshops. Ms. Margheritis stated that LAWA did not request the FAA to place a new waypoint where PPRRY is today; LAWA simply pointed out the increase in early turns. Ms. Margheritis stated that the 2.2 DME turning point for the conventional departure procedures is still in place.

Mr. Yeung stated that there was an increase in early turns and noise complaints shortly after the implementation of PPRRY.

Mr. Silver addressed the council as it relates to the PPRRY Waypoint and noted that the item on the agenda should be brought up for discussion and action.

Ms. Margheritis addressed the council as it relates to the FAA's proposal at the August 2019 CAC meeting. Ms. Margheritis stated that there were several options that FAA was considering, but only one was technically feasible and would require a FAA waiver.

Mr. Williams thanked Ms. Margheritis for her clarification and addressed the council as it relates to the FAA public workshops for the PPRRY Waypoint.

Mr. Yeung addressed the council as it relates to the FATKO and PPRRY Waypoints.

Mr. Rodine addressed the council as it relates to challenges in aircraft procedures and the waypoints.

Ms. Petrus stated that the other areas around the 101 freeway have always been impacted by aircraft noise but have received some relief since the implementation of the PPRRY Waypoint.

The Chair stated he is not seeing any new information in regards to the PPRRY Waypoint.

Mr. Materna stated that a motion from the CAC to the Task Force is an option for the council to consider.

The Chair stated that the council is here to advise the BOAC and the City council not the Task Force.

Mr. Rodine stated that the council is not limited to the groups they advise.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Chair opened the Public Comment Period (item V.)

The following community members spoke during the public comment period:

Ms. Linda Clarke, Resident
Mr. John Vernagus, Resident
Mr. David Rankell, Resident
Ms. Elaine Newman, Resident
Mr. Ed Burnham, Resident

Mr. Rodine made a motion to extend the meeting to 9:30 p.m.

Mr. Materna seconded the motion to extend the meeting.

The council voted unanimously to extend the meeting to 9:30 p.m. with no objections.

VI. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

No items were discussed.

VII. REPORT FROM THE WORKING GROUPS

A. Election of the CAC Membership Chair – Discussion/Action

The Chair asked if any members of the council would like to volunteer for the assignment of Membership Chair.

Ms. Goodfellow volunteered herself for assignment as Membership Chair

Ms. Goodfellow was selected as Membership Chair by unanimous vote.

VIII. EMERGENCY ITEMS SINCE POSTING OF AGENDA

No items were discussed.

IX. ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS

Mr. Parseghian congratulated Mr. Williams on his appointment as Vice Chair.

Mr. Silver stated that the real battle is between the FAA and the public.

Ms. Harris congratulated Mr. Williams and Ms. Goodfellow on their appointments.

Ms. Delle Donne congratulated Mr. Williams and Ms. Goodfellow. Ms. Delle Donne noted that there are two vacancies in the council from the office of Monica Rodriguez.

Ms. Petrus thanked Ms. Margheritis and Ms. Sanchez for her airport tour and taking the time to explain airport procedures.

Ms. Goodfellow thanked Ms. Margheritis for the breakdown of the waypoints and congratulated Mr. Williams on his appointment as Vice Chair.

Mr. Williams stated he would like to request an opportunity to present a motion at the next CAC meeting.

The Chair welcomed Mr. Williams as Vice Chair and thanked Ms. Margheritis and VNY staff for their continued support.

Ms. Margheritis reminded the council to forward any concerns or inquiries for tours or meetings to the VNY CAC email address.

Mr. Rodine thanked Mr. Materna and Ms. Margheritis for their presented information. Mr. Rodine addressed the council as it relates to the CAC attendance report. Mr. Materna thanked Ms. Margheritis for his airport tour and welcoming him to the committee. Mr. Materna addressed the council as it relates to his concerns for VNY.

Mr. Roberts welcomed Mr. Williams on his new position and thanked Mr. Materna for his work. Mr. Roberts commended Ms. Margheritis and LAWA staff for their work and continued support.

Mr. Silver addressed the council as it relates to state requirements and conflict of interest rules for council meetings.

Ms. Petrus addressed the council as it relates to speaking on behalf of the CAC at the BOAC meeting.

The Chair stated that she could not speak on behalf of the CAC.

Mr. Parseghian stated that Ms. Petrus could mention she is part of the council but is attending as an individual and not as a representative of the CAC.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

8:31 p.m.