

VAN NUYS AIRPORT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
Tuesday, June 3, 2014
MINUTES

A meeting of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Elliot Sanders. Members present: Elliot Sanders, Don Schultz, Ron Merkin, Vahid Khorsand, John Parker, Gerry Silver, David Rankell, Laurence Rabe, Roger Oeland, Roger Ortiz, Harold Lee, Wayne Williams, David Bernardoni

Members Absent: Kathy Del Donne, Cindy Goodfellow, Wendy Saunders

The Council vacancies as of June 3, 2014 are as follows: Two appointments from the Mayor's Office.

The minutes from the May 6, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.

1.) STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Romo stated the June 2, 2014 BOAC Meeting was held at Van Nuys City Hall and there were a number of items regarding VNY on the agenda.

Mr. Romo stated the new budget for operating year July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 will be considered at the June 16, 2014 BOAC Meeting.

Mr. Merkin asked if VNY will be in a shortfall for the new budget year.

Mr. Romo stated he does not know for certain but they are projecting another year above the line. He will not know for sure until 5-6 months but will report back then.

2.) REPORT FROM CHAIR

Mr. Sanders stated there will be a Prop Park Groundbreaking Ceremony on Monday, June 23, 2014. Guests should arrive by 5:30 p.m. and the program will be at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Sanders invited all the CAC members to attend as his business guests. He asked that any CAC member who wishes to attend to email him.

A. Working Group Reports – Discussion/Action

Mr. Oeland stated he has observed tumbleweed along Vanowen outside of the airport fence on the sidewalk. He was trying to find out who is responsible for cleaning this area.

Mr. Romo stated Street Services is responsible for the area in question.

Mr. Rankell stated he has contacted Councilman Blumenfield's Office and is working on the Mayor's Office appointment for the CAC.

Mr. Silver and Mr. Rankell presented the first part of a Powerpoint presentation regarding VNY Noise Issues. (Slides 1-37 that were discussed are attached.)

3.) BOAC AGENDA ITEMS CONCERNING VNY

Mr. Romo discussed the BOAC items pertaining to VNY from the May 19 and June 2, 2014 Board Meetings. All the items are listed below:

May 19, 2014 BOAC Agenda:

6. First Amendment to Contract DA-4628 with Bruel & Kjr EMS Inc.: To extend the term by six (6) years and add funding of \$3,483,072 for maintenance and support services of the Airport Noise and Operations Monitoring System for Los Angeles World Airports (Cynthia Guidry, 424-646-7690)
7. Award of three (3)-year Contract to Direct AN: For Video Surveillance Intelligent Observation Network maintenance and repair services for Los Angeles World Airports, for cost not to exceed \$3,818,400 (Dom Nessi, 424-646-5001 and Samson Mengistu, 424-646-6251)
8. Three (3)-year Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Contract Administration: To manage, administer and report issues concerning Los Angeles World Airports contractors' compliance with Living Wage, Service Contract Worker Retention and Equal Benefits policies; Affirmative Action/Equal Employment provisions; and labor compliance performance of said contractors, for cost not to exceed \$1,679,247 (Samson Mengistu, 424-646-6251)

June 2, 2014 BOAC Agenda:

3. Award of three (3)-year Contract to Sully-Miller Contracting Company dba Blue Diamond Materials: For purchase and delivery of hot mix asphalt for Los Angeles International Airport and Van Nuys Airport, for overall cost not to exceed \$7,500,000 (David Shuter, 424-646-5111)
4. Award of five (5)-year Lease to Balboa Brick and Supply Corporation, and Building Rental Rates: Covering premises located at 16755 Roscoe Boulevard within Van Nuys Airport, for estimated rental revenue of \$440,028 over the term (Debbie Bowers, 424-646-7142)
5. Write-off of Uncollectible Items totaling \$501,537.94: From the Fiscal Year 2014 Accounts Receivable account of Los Angeles World Airports (Wei Chi, 424-646-5152)
6. First Amendment and Consent to Assignment of Membership Interests in Lease VNA-8597 with Pacific Aviation Development, LLC: To address outstanding investment and construction obligations under said lease covering premises located at 7900 Balboa Boulevard within Van Nuys Airport; and land rental and monthly occupancy rates for said premises (Steve Martin, 424-646-5040/Debbie Bowers, 424-646-7142)
11. Five (5)-year Reimbursement Agreement with Signature Flight Support, Inc.: For staffing costs estimated at \$300,000 per year, that will support designation of Van Nuys Airport as a Customs and Border Protection User Fee Airport (Debbie Bowers, 424-646-7142)

All the items were approved.

Mr. Romo discussed the future of Customs Borders Protection (CBP) Service at VNY. He stated they are hoping to have CBP Office at VNY by January 2015. He will share more information in the coming months.

Mr. Krugler discussed the VNY 2nd Annual Friendly Flyer Award 2013 that were handed out at the June 2, 2104 BOAC Meeting. (Information attached)

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

Public speakers and Lake Balboa residents Cherie Aragon, Craig Welzbacher, Roxanne Hartstein, and Dave Haddad discussed the recent issues with single engine planes early turns over their neighborhood. They all stated this is a new problem to their area and it is non-stop and very disruptive to the residents. They also stated the planes are mostly flight instructors.

5.) NEW BUSINESS

A. Early Turn Noise Issues - Discussion

Mr. Schultz introduced a motion as follows:

“The Citizen’s Advisory Council urges the Board of Airport Commissioners (BOAC) to agendize the Van Nuys Airport Fly Friendly Program as it relates to early turns by prop aircraft for a future BOAC meeting to be held in Van Nuys.

The urgency of this request is based on a recent change made by the FAA that currently is causing a severe noise problem for Lake Balboa residents – We also ask the BOAC have the FAA attend this meeting.

Since this is a local noise issue, we emphasize the need to hold that BOAC Meeting in Van Nuys.”

Mr. Rankell, Mr. Krugler, Mr. Merkin, Mr. Silver, Ms. Rabe, and Mr. Oeland discussed this item further.

The motion passed unanimously.

6.) OLD BUSINESS

A. Status of Prop Park Development/Eric Steinhauer and Neal Sherman – Discussion/Action

No items were discussed.

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

Mr. Ortiz asked how single engine plane noise is tracked.

Mr. Krugler stated he can discuss this with Mr. Ortiz after the meeting tonight.

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

Ms. Rabe thanked Mr. Silver for his noise presentation.

Mr. Silver stated only the slides that were discussed should be sent to the CAC.

Mr. Williams suggested that the Lake Balboa residents get media involved and get their comments together in order to further their cause.

Mr. Parker stated he enjoyed the Noise presentation.

Mr. Schultz recognized Mr. Sanders for his involvement with the Prop Park development.

Mr. Bernardoni agreed with Mr. Williams' suggestion for the Lake Balboa residents to get the media involved.

Mr. Rankell encouraged the Lake Balboa residents to keep it up and involve the FAA.

9) ADJOURNMENT:

8:26 p.m.