

City of Newport Beach



MINUTES of the COUNCIL/CITIZENS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON AVIATION

MEETING DATE & LOCATION: **Monday, October 31, 2011** at the Newport Beach Central Library's *Friends of the Library* Room, 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach, California)

ATTENDANCE:

- Committee membership:

Leslie Daigle	Council Representative	present
Rush Hill	Council Representative	present
Keith Curry	Council Representative	present
Dan Gilliland	District #1	not present
Henry Arjad	District #1 (alt)	not present
Eleanor Todd	District #2	present
Gerald Scarboro	District #2 (alt)	present
Tom Anderson	District #3	present
Sue Hogan	District #3 (alt)	not present
Bonnie O'Neil	District #4	not present
Ron Darling	District #4 (alt)	not present
John Cunningham	District #5	present
Craig Page	District #5 (alt)	present
Shirley Conger	District #6	not present
Bud Rasner	District #6 (alt)	present
Suzanne Casey	District #7	present
Jim Dunlap	District #7 (alt)	present
Dave Kiff	City Manager	present
Aaron Harp	City Attorney	present
Melinda Seely	SPON/AirFair Rep.	not present
Tony Khoury	AWG Representative	present
Roger Ham	Newport Coast Rep	present
TBD	General Aviation Rep	N/A

- Guests present: David Browne, Greg Carroll, Tom Menk, Jim Mosher, Dan Rabun, Bob Taylor, Karen Tringali (CdM Residents Association), and Don Webb.
- JWA Representatives present: Alan Murphy, Eric Freed.
- Representatives from Corridor Cities present: Khanh Nguyen (Costa Mesa)
- Staff Members present: Tom Edwards.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- Welcome.** The meeting was called to order by Ms. Daigle at about 8:02 a.m.
- Self-introductions** were made.
- The **minutes** from September 2011 were approved.

4. **STREL or other departure pattern updates.** Alan Murphy noted that the County had responded on October 26, 2011 to Dave Kiff's letter of September 14, 2011 from the City regarding STREL and RAWLZ (Kiff's letter stating the City's wish that all RNAV departures follow MUSEL 6 and the traditional departure patterns of the bay as much as possible and that RAWLZ be flight-tested). The letter noted, among other things:
 - a. That the FAA believes that the STREL would remain a "fly-by" waypoint. "According to FAA, the principle reason for this decision is that such a change would add track miles to the STREL procedure, which is 'not preferred by the users.'"
 - b. That flight track plots (attached to the letter) compare STREL and MUSEL 6 departure procedures, showing STREL "to be within the historical dispersion of the MUSEL departure procedure, and narrower in some locations. However, I must caution that there is inherent uncertainty with the current radar flight track system, which makes it difficult to make this statement definitively. We are attempting to obtain more precise aircraft position data for use in these analyses and will update you as progress is made."

Discussion ensued about:

- a. Does STREL really mirror the traditional flight tracks of the Bay.
- b. Should we ask the FAA to consider adjusting STREL again (maybe to a 174° direction).
- c. Can the FAA to attend a meeting to discuss concerns in person (Mr. Murphy agreed to ask the FAA to consider this).
- d. The need to ensure that Southern CA TRACON staff be reminded of the need to wait a little bit before allowing turns back in towards the coast – again that "Sometimes it seems dependent on who is working ATC that day," noted Ham.
- e. John Cunningham noted that on Balboa Island they had seen "a slight movement to the east."
- f. Data still shows that noise over Noise Monitor #7 is still at or less than recent history.

Eleanor Todd had a map of the STREL.

5. **JWA Operational Updates.** Alan Murphy:
 - a. Noted that the new Terminal C will open to the public November 14, 2011 and that JWA staff has been focused on the opening.
 - b. Noted that JWA, if the Board approves it, will have an incentive program for international flights to Mexico that involves terminal rent credits and Class A slots – all beneath the MAP and ADD caps, however. "We don't know what the level of interest will be," noted Murphy.
 - c. In a response to a question from Tom Anderson, Murphy noted that all international carriers will have to comply with JWA's caps and curfews, and that all "have modern fleets" that shouldn't be different from existing JWA carriers.
6. **Tom Edwards' Monthly Report.** Tom Edwards referred to the report posted on the City's website. He noted that the City has prepared a Q&A for RNAV (website), that RAWLZ (addressing departures from JWA headed west of Las Vegas or north of JWA) will be developed in Spring 2012, and noted his comparison of noise, load factors, and more in his report. Tom noted that the Helipad/Helistop item has been moved to March 2012 for Costa Mesa Council's consideration.
7. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda items** were made by Tony Khoury (City should be working with the County to have the County operate Ontario Airport), Bob Taylor (please note in the minutes that a letter sent regarding STREL represents HOAs that address "over 8,000 households;" and that City Council or the Committee should consider a resolution supporting revisions to STREL), Tom Anderson (what's the latest information on settlement agreement extensions?).
8. **The Committee's next meeting** was set for Monday, November 28, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. in the Central Library's Friends Room.
9. **The meeting was adjourned** at about 8:50 a.m.

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