

VAN NUYS AIRPORT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
Tuesday, October 6, 2015
MINUTES

A meeting of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Elliot Sanders. Members present: Elliot Sanders, Ron Merkin, David Rankell, Wayne Williams, Mel Roberts, Harold Lee, Gerald Silver, Laurence Rabe, Vahid Khorsand, Kathy Delle Donne, Roger Oeland, John Parker, Jason Price

Members Absent: Don Schultz, Wendy Saunders, Cindy Goodfellow

The Council vacancies as of October 6, 2015 are as follows: One appointment from Councilmember Felipe Fuentes' Office, one appointment from Councilmember Nury Martinez' Office.

The minutes from the September 1, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

1.) STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Romo the Sherman Way Tunnel lighting project is halfway complete. The majority of the project should be completed by mid-November and there have not been any delays so far. There will be some additional work through April 2016.

Mr. Romo shared pictures of the VNY Blast Fence with the "No Turn Before Flood Basin" statement. The sign is reflective for night flights. (attached)

Mr. Romo stated there have been two formal and one informal complaint which is down from nine the previous month, which is down 18 from the month before, and 25 in June 2015. He stated letters and No Early Turn posters were sent to all the surrounding general aviation airports. He has only sent out one letter to an aircraft owner that was confirmed early turn and he stated they are prepared to send out more.

Mr. Romo introduced the new Sergeant 2, Office-In-Charge of VNY Police, Sergeant Clint Beacom.

Sergeant Beacom stated he has been with LAWA for 16 years and was the Watch Commander at LAX the last three years and he is looking forward to meeting the CAC.

Mr. Sanders thanked Mr. Romo and staff for their efforts on the No Early Turn issue.

Mr. Romo shared the proof of the Pilot Guide insert and stated it is still subject to minor adjustments.

Mr. Romo stated the LAX Area Advisory and VNY CAC Holiday dinner will be held on Thursday, December 3rd at the Odyssey Restaurant in Granada Hills.

2.) REPORT FROM CHAIR

Mr. Sanders stated Mr. Bernardoni has resigned from the CAC due to family and business pressures. A replacement from Councilmember Martinez' Office has been requested.

Mr. Sanders stated the UC Davis Noise Symposium will be held in Palm Springs in March 2016. He stated one CAC member will be chosen to attend at the November meeting.

**A. Working Group Reports – Discussion/Action
Membership – David Rankell, Chairperson**

Mr. Rankell stated there are currently two vacancies, one from Councilmember Fuentes and one from Councilmember Martinez.

Outreach – Ron Merkin, Chairperson

Mr. Merkin shared and discussed the Brown Act Information handout. (attached)

By Laws – Don Schultz, Chairperson

Nothing to report.

VNY Noise Issues – Gerald Silver, Chairperson

Mr. Silver has received comments from Encino residents regarding increased jet and helicopter noise.

VNY Helicopter Issues – Wayne Williams, Chairperson

Mr. Williams stated the Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition (LAAHNC) has taken the bulk of the effort on helicopter issues. The FAA is looking at implementing elements of Next Gen in the Southern California area. The LAAHNC have submitted a response to the Draft Environmental Assessment for Southern California Metroplex. (attached)

Social Media Outreach – Vahid Khorsand, Chairperson

Mr. Khorsand stated there has been a surge in “likes” on the CAC Facebook page.

3.) BOAC AGENDA ITEMS CONCERNING VNY

Mr. Romo discussed the agenda items for the BOAC Meetings on September 17 and October 1, 2015.

September 17, 2015 BOAC Meeting

11. [RESOLUTION NO. _____ - Award a one \(1\)-year Contract to Rosemont Group, LLC: For professional federal legislative and regulatory advocacy services related to airport operations and planning, for cost not to exceed \\$240,000](#)

PURPOSE: Award a one (1)-year contract to Rosemont Group, LLC, for professional Federal legislative and regulatory advocacy services related to various aspects of airport operations and planning which will include but not necessarily be limited to airport facilities planning and development, environmental regulation, security and safety, and financing and funding.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; further find that use of competitive bidding would be undesirable; approve the award of a one (1)-year contract to Rosemont Group, LLC for professional federal legislative and regulatory advocacy services for an amount not to exceed \$240,000; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said contract upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (Mark Adams, 424-646-5114)

13. [RESOLUTION NO. _____ - Join City of Los Angeles Agreement C-120526 with US Bank National Association dba Voyager Fleet Systems, Inc.: For thirteen \(13\) months, for issuance of fleet fuel](#)

[purchasing cards for Los Angeles World Airports, for a cost not to exceed \\$920,000](#)

PURPOSE: Staff requests Board of Airport Commissioners approval to join City of Los Angeles Agreement C-120526 with U.S. Bank National Association dba Voyager Fleet Systems, Inc. to issue fleet fuel purchasing cards for a period of thirteen (13) months and an amount not to exceed \$920,000. The fleet fuel cards act as credit cards, allowing vanpools and other approved fleet vehicles to fuel at any gas station, with some limited exceptions. Fleet fuel cards are also required for emergency fueling purposes by Airport Police Division, LA/Ontario International Airport Construction & Maintenance, and Van Nuys Airport.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; approve the request to join City of Los Angeles Agreement C-120526 with U.S. Bank National Association dba Voyager Fleet Systems, Inc. to issue fleet fuel purchasing cards for a period of thirteen (13) months and an amount not to exceed \$920,000; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said contract upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (Samson Mengistu, 424-646-6251)

October 1, 2015 BOAC Meeting

1. [RESOLUTION NO. - Award of a five \(5\)-year Concession Agreement to Bottling Group, LLC: For a vending machine concession at Los Angeles International Airport and Van Nuys Airport, including the Van Nuys FlyAway Building, for estimated revenue of \\$648,000 over the term](#)

PURPOSE: Provide convenient and cost effective options for passenger to purchase bottled beverages and snacks at Los Angeles International Airport and Van Nuys Airport.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III Class 1(18)(c) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that the Request for Bids process used in this competitive award process satisfies the requirements of Administrative Code Section 10.17 and is compatible with the City's interests; further find that Bottling Group, LLC is responsive and responsible, that entering into this Concession Agreement is in the best interest of the City, and waive any informality in the bid; approve award of the Agreement with Bottling Group, LLC to operate a vending machine concession at Los Angeles International Airport and Van Nuys Airport including the Van Nuys FlyAway Building; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said Concession Agreement upon approval as to form by the City Attorney. (Debbie Bowers, 424-646-7142)

9. [RESOLUTION NO. - First Amendment to Contract DA-4765 with AT&T Mobility National Accounts LLC: To extend the term through June 30, 2019 and increase the contract authority to total not to exceed \\$4,852,000, for wireless voice and broadband services, equipment and accessories for Los Angeles World Airports](#)

PURPOSE: To provide additional contract authority and extend the term of the contract to continue providing wireless voice and broadband services, equipment, and accessories for Los Angeles World Airports.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act

(CEQA) pursuant to Article III Class 1(18)(c) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that this action is being taken pursuant to Charter Section 371 (e)(10) because competitive bidding would be undesirable, impracticable or impossible; approve the First Amendment to Contract DA-4765 with AT&T Mobility National Accounts LLC to extend the term through June 30, 2019 and increase funds in the amount of \$2,625,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$4,852,000 for wireless voice and broadband services, equipment and accessories for Los Angeles World Airports; and authorize the Executive Director to execute said First Amendment upon approval as to form by the City Attorney and upon approval by the Los Angeles City Council. (Dominic Nessi, 424-646-5001)

10. RESOLUTION NO. _____ - Pool of Qualified Investment Banks: To assist with issuance of revenue bonds or other debt instruments supporting the financing of capital projects and to provide general investment banking and transaction-related services for Los Angeles World Airports, over _____ the _____ next _____ three _____ (3) _____ years

PURPOSE: Establish a pool of qualified investment banks eligible to assist with the issuance of revenue bonds or other debt instruments supporting the financing of capital projects for Los Angeles World Airports airports and to provide general investment banking and transaction-related services.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Adoption of the Report requesting that the Board of Airport Commissioners find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; further find that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; and approve Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Barclays Capital Inc., Cabrera Capital Markets, LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Loop Capital Markets LLC, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, PNC Capital Markets LLC, Ramirez & Co., Inc., RBC Capital Markets LLC, Siebert Brandford Shank & Co., L.L.C., Wells Fargo Securities, and The Williams Capital Group, L.P. for inclusion in Los Angeles World Airports Qualified Investment Bank Pool. (Ryan Yakubik, 424-646-5056)

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

Mr. Ed Burnham, member of the public, stated he owns a home in Encino and was woken up nine times last night due to aircraft noise.

Ms. Elaine Newman, member of the public, stated she owns a home in Encino and was woken up nine times last night due to aircraft noise. She asked why complaints are limited to five complaints per month, per person. She asked who is limiting the complaints. She asked why is compliance with the noise program voluntary. She asked if anyone has paid a fine in the last two years and if so who and how much.

Mr. Burnham and Ms. Newman, members of the public, made a proposal to the CAC regarding flight data and the CAC agenda. (attached)

5.) NEW BUSINESS

A. Aerolease Associates Hangar Project Briefing – Discussion/Action

This item is deferred to the November CAC Meeting.

B. Criteria to Assist BOAC in VNY Decision Making – Discussion

Mr. Sanders stated this item is deferred to the November CAC Meeting because he wants this to be a valuable conversation. He has contacted BOAC members and LAWA Chief Operating Office Steve Martin to attend the November Meeting and they have committed to attending.

6.) OLD BUSINESS

No items were discussed.

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

No items were discussed.

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

Mr. Oeland stated he attended the Helinet Memorial Service for Alan Purwin. He stated Mr. Purwin was very well respected by the community. He had purchased a helicopter for the Children’s Hospital.

Mr. Silver stated the whole concept of the Brown Act is whatever they do they have to do it in the open.

Mr. Sanders stated everyone should be careful when replying to all in emails.

Ms. Delle Donne stated the “reply all” function is a problem in many offices and businesses.

Mr. Williams stated he worked with Alan Purwin and they had a good relationship discussing helicopter issues. He stated Mr. Purwin created and used video technology mounted to a helicopter during Hurricane Katrina. This technology is also used in movies and television.

Mr. Sanders stated he received many calls from the community this past Sunday regarding the Fly Overs in honor of Mr. Jim Dunn of the Airtel Plaza Hotel. He was a big contributor to the airport.

Mr. Rankell stated he is pleased with the signage at the north end of the airport.

9) ADJOURNMENT:

7:54 p.m.