VAN NUYS AIRPORT Citizens Advisory Council

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Karim Webb Board of Airport Commissioners 1 World Way Los Angeles, CA 90045

Dear Karim Webb:

At the May 07, 2024, Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting, the CAC made the following motion.

VNY CAC Economic Policy Motion

"Whereas, LAWA is in the process of developing the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget for Van Nuys Airport (VNY), and considering that the VNY Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) was created to advise the Board of Airport Commissioners (BOAC) on airport issues;

And whereas there are no funds currently listed in the budget for use on community impact mitigations.

And recognizing that BOAC President Webb suggested charging landing fees for additional revenue during the May 2, 2024 budget presentation;

And, considering that Jet A fuel fees provide only 19% of LAWAs VNY revenue and that these revokable fee permits will not have been raised for over 10 years;

The VNY CAC herby supports the community's requests and and the BOACs suggestion to (a) implement and begin charging landing fees for additional revenue to use for pollution and noise impact mitigation at VNY, and to invest in an automated aircraft identification and billing system (such as PlanePass system DAL) to maximize revenue potential; and (b) increase the Jet fuel fee to offset increases in operating, maintenance costs, general inflation and build reserve funds.

Additionally, the VNY CAC, recommends to the BOAC that these additional revenues be reviewed for uses to include but not be limited to:

- Offer Gammi unleaded fuel G100UL in tanks for sale and subsidize/reimburse part of the costs of STCs STC – Supplemental Type Certificates so there is rapid adoption of this FAA approved unleaded fuel to improve the health of children and families nearby.
- 2. Cooperate with LA City Council Districts in utilizing airport revenue where applicable in funding reports, studies, and consultant needs associated

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- with the development of the new CF-23-1339 Specific Airport Plan. Including economic and environmental impacts, FAA regulations, and other matters related to potential airport development land use changes.
- 3. Allocate more funds for public relations to promote and honor the voluntary Quiet Nights program via notices, banners, posters and constant promotions conferring the need to avoid night flights. Expand the hours and types of aircraft as originally requested. Paint more signage around VNY including sound walls with the times when not to fly to obtain more compliance and improve the health of surrounding communities.
- 4. Improve security like TSA check-ins of all FBO passenger departures for passenger counts and to reduce drugs and illegal activities.
- 5. Invest in expanding air and noise monitor systems that use, as an example, the SENEL method in areas not currently covered and outside the 65dB DNL contour line to assess the exposures for adjacent communities and identify prime spots under the arrival and departure paths that would expand reporting to the FAA on lived impact and decibel increases where complaints are most numerous.
- 6. Assist impacted communities and members with home air purifications units and HVAC filters to reduce Ultra-fine particles and VOCs. Upgrade soundproofing measures and subsidiaries within the 65 dB DNL contour line.
- 7. Fund a similar health mitigation program for all nearby schools' classrooms and parks impacted by aviation air pollution and noise.
- 8. Investigate a sound/fume barrier along Hayvenhurst Avenue near residents' homes.
- 9. Budget to assess the properties that were void of critical modernization upgrades and produce a report on the expense, feasibility, and options of working with established FBOs and tenants in electrifying all ramps in order to provide the practical use of electric pre-conditioned air and ground power units to reduce the use of idling and auxiliary power units at VNY thereby reducing pollution.
- 10. Provide the VNY CAC meetings and ensure working technology for presentations, live audio and video capture of all monthly meetings similar to the BOAC and other city meetings.
- 11. Fund reserves sufficiently to cease accepting Federal FAA grant funds to free Los Angeles from the burden of FAA restrictions in the future. LA Residents and City officials deserve self-determination.

The motion passed with a roll call vote of seven "affirmative" votes, five "no" votes and no "abstentions". (A. Avery, E. Cohen, R. Dahl, D. Decker, M. Harris, T. Materna, E. Robinson), five "no" votes (K. Delle Donne, H. Molina, L. Petrus, J. Parker and B. Rodine) and no abstentions

Thank you for your consideration.

Jason Price

Chair

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