

Special SeaTac Airport Committee Summary Minutes

Monday, January 9, 2017 6:00 PM City Hall - Council Chambers

Committee members present:

Michael J. Siefkes, Chair; Peter Kwon, Erin Sitterley, Craig Baker, Joel Wachtel, Craig Baker, Doris Cassan, Douglas Hill, Tom Dantzler (arrived 6:44 PM)

Absent: Roger McCracken

Staff: Acting City Manager Joseph Scorcio, Acting CED Director Jeff Robinson, Asst. City

Attorney Mark Johnsen, Exec. Assistant Lesa Ellis Councilmembers in the Audience: Rick Forschler

TOPIC	ACTION
Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM.
Public Comment	None
Approval of the November 28, 2016 Minutes	Motion to approve the minutes as written by Craig Baker and seconded by Erin Sitterley.
	Mr. Wachtel reported a Mega Meeting taking place on Wednesday at 7 PM at the Burien Community Center organized by Debra Wagner. Citizens are gathering for a meeting regarding the airport. He and Mr. Baker plan to attend.
Summary and De- brief of Meeting with FAA Deputy Regional Administrator David Soumi	The Councilmembers of the SeaTac Airport Committee along with Mr. Scorcio and Mr. Robinson met earlier in the day with Mr. Souimi for approximately 90 minutes. Mr. Soumi covers a 7-state region. Chair Siefkes and Mr. Scorcio provided an overview of the meeting.
	Highlights included: 1) NextGen – Port, FAA, and City relationship 2) Lines of Authority – No a bright line 3) On-going communications we can have with the FAA Staff will prepare a written summary of the meeting and distribute. Mr. Wachtel asked about the re-routing of planes over Burien at a
	low altitude. Chair Siefkes responded that the conversation didn't get into specifics as it doesn't directly affect our City, however, it demonstrated how the traffic controller's solution to a problem created a noise impact consequence to a community.
	Mr. Scorcio said there was good conversation around NextGen and there is information on the FAA website. NextGen will be discussed further at a future meeting.
	Chair Siefkes reported that the Sea-Tac Airport receives grants from the FAA and the Airport has to fulfill certain grant conditions.
	Ms. Sitterley and Mr. Robinson stated that the FAA set rules and guidelines. The Airport is able to decide how to meet those requirements (ie. reverse thrusters, tree safety corridor). Ms. Sitterley also referenced the Greener Skies Assessment

	mentioned at the meeting; would be good to learn more about the
	Chair Siefkes stated that they asked Mr. Soumi who the community can call if they feel the Airport makes a decision that negatively impacts them. He said the FAA is looking at rationale to increase community outreach.
Action Items	Mr. Scorcio reported that the City of Burien is forming an airport committee as well. A letter of invitation was sent to the cities of Burien, Des Moines, and Normandy Park (mayor and city manager) to attend a meeting on January 30 at 6 PM at City Hall to discuss airport issues, the group will be called the Turbulence Council.
	The City will send a letter to the Port regarding opening the access from the south via 28 th Avenue S. through the tunnel for car rental shuttles. This will provide easier access for operators south of the airport and reduce emissions.
	The list of the City's powers over the Port to include authority and responsibility will take some time to prepare.
	Mrs. Cassan said Uber and Lyft remain a problem and don't have to pay at their staging area. Mr. Scorcio responded that the Port and City did find solutions over the holidays for ridesharing (Uber and Lyft); also the City is doing a traffic study with the Port on S. 160 th . The Port was attempting to keep the drivers out of the neighborhoods, but created a traffic problem on S. 160 th . Mr. Scorcio added that the City has funded one additional patrol officer for 2017-2018.
	Staff will prepare a written summary of the FAA meeting and distribute.
Round Robin Comment/Question Opportunity	Mark Johnsen-Experienced the terrible congestion at S. 170 th St. accessing the airport over the holidays. Jeff Robinson-Agrees with Mark's statement. Tom Dantzler-Temporary south entry through the tunnel will provide some relief to traffic. Tour buses use now. Doris Cassan-Has respect for law enforcement officers. They continue to have crime problems at their location. Need tougher consequences for crimes. Craig Baker-ADSB publicly available. Raspberry Pi device unit under \$100 for airport data. Doug Hill-Agreed with Doris. Property crime continues to be an issue. Applauds our officers; maybe we need to look for other solutions as well. Interested in looking at solutions out of the box. Peter Kwon-Found the list of 39 assurances for FAA grants. Asked the committee to direct their attention to #6 and #7 referencing consideration of local plans and interest.
Next meeting	February 13 due to the Presidents' Day holiday.
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM

Information e-mailed after the meeting: FAA Grant Assurances Port of Seattle Connections Articles-Past and Present