



**Special Airport Advisory Committee**  
**Summary Minutes**  
 February 26, 2018  
 6:00 PM  
 City Hall - Council Chambers

**Committee members present:**

Erin Sitterley, Joel Wachtel, Craig Baker, Douglas Hill, Doris Cassan, Roger Kadeg

**Absent:** Michael Siefkes, Tom Dantzler, Roger McCracken

**Staff:** City Manager Joseph Scorcio, CED Director Jeff Robinson, Sr. Asst. City Attorney Mark Johnsen, Exec. Asst. Lesa Ellis

**Councilmembers in the Audience:** Peter Kwon

TOPIC	ACTION
Call to Order	6:01 PM. Chair Siefkes is at the Aviation and Emissions Symposium in California. Deputy Mayor Erin Sitterley will chair the meeting. New member Roger Kadeg was welcomed.
Public Comment	None
Approval of Minutes	Moved by Craig Baker and seconded by Joel Wachtel to approve the January 22, 2018 Minutes as written. Motion carried.
Referred to Committee from the January 23, 2018 Council Meeting: Continuing dialogue between Council and POS – Role of AAC	Mr. Scorcio led the discussion by explaining that with the new ILA, new Port of Seattle Executive Director Steve Metruck, formation of the SeaTac Airport Roundtable (START), and upcoming SAMP, the role of the Airport Advisory Committee should be discussed. General consensus is that the committee would like updates and to be informed.
	ILA – suggested that after the new ILA has been in place for 6- 12 months, that the Committee re-visit the list of issues from the first meetings of the AAC to see how things have improved.
	Steve Metruck – As staff and elected officials meet with the director, report back to the AAC.
	START – The City Council selected two community members to represent the community and both Joe and Jeff will attend from staff. The meetings are open to the public and the meeting notes will be provided to the AAC as they are made available. We can always invite the START community representatives to an upcoming AAC.
	SAMP – information and updates will come to the AAC as the process progresses.
Referred to Committee from the February 13, 2018 Council Meeting: Resolution calling for PSRC and the State to review need for an additional airport.	Mr. Johnsen led the discussion by stating that the City of Burien prepared a Resolution to the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC). The City prepared a draft that was included in the AAC packet.  Comments: add language about the airport being located in our City and that we have an ILA in place and a request to bring the Draft Resolution before the Hotel Motel Tax Advisory Committee (HMAC) for input from businesses.  General consensus was to move forward with revising the Resolution, presenting it at the HMAC, and circulated to the AAC before it goes before the City Council for action.
Airport Conference?	Mr. Scorcio stated that Chair Siefkes and he had been discussing whether to host an airport-related conference here in SeaTac. He introduced Sr. Mgmt. Analyst Tim Ramsaur. A packet of information on some possible resources was included in the AAC packet.
	Mr. Ramsaur said there were basically three avenues to explore: 1) Be the host city by inviting an established airport-centric group or organization to hold their conference in SeaTac. 2) Work with the National League of Cities (NLC). Many of the member cities, like the City of SeaTac, have airports. The fall 2018 conference is being held in Los Angeles. May be interest in hearing about our ILA with the Port.

	<p>3) Organize a symposium of local surrounding cities to discuss airport related issues in the region or state.</p> <p>Councilmember Kwon commented that he has attended NLC Conferences and feels it may be difficult for city-oriented issues to be addressed as the Airlines are well-represented at the conferences and many of the large airports are run by a port authority.</p> <p>Further discussion ensued and Mr. Scorcio said whichever path the City decides on will require marketing and a budget, so most likely a two-year lead time.</p> <p>Mr. Kadeg read aloud a long list of airport associations. He suggested that before we attempt to organize our own conference, we spend more time learning about the associations that exist and which ones are of value to us.</p> <p>General consensus to explore the list and re-visit the agenda item at the next meeting when Chair Siefkes is present.</p> <p>The conversation led to a question about why the airport doesn't pay property taxes. In reply, Mrs. Cassan commented that businesses that operate within the airport pay leasehold excise taxes in lieu of property taxes and that the assessed value is high. Mr. Robinson added that during the ILA negotiations there were discussions between the Port and the City related to value of the airport property. When trying to determine what property taxes would have been on that land is difficult because of the assumptions of what the development would or would not have been. For the Port's argument, they say if it wasn't for the airport, the City wouldn't have hotels and other airport-related development paying property taxes. Mr. Robinson also added that the airlines pay personal property tax on every airplane they own.</p>
Future Meeting Schedule/Topics:	<p>Discussion of getting some of the future items running list scheduled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal working updates with City and Port staff crime – coordination between SeaTac, Port, Sound Transit and Tukwila. <i>Mr. Scorcio will invite SeaTac Police Chief/Captain to next meeting.</i></li> <li>• Katie Halse – State of Port. <i>The presentation was sent out to the AAC, but she has not been scheduled to present to the ACC.</i></li> <li>• Toxicology analysis proposal with other cities-referred from 1/9/18 Council Meeting. <i>UW Mov-up (ultra-fine particle study), Highline Forum, and legislative updates.</i></li> </ul> <p>Additional items added to the list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-visit Airport Conference</li> <li>• Schools – crimes are often committed by youth</li> <li>• ILA – Advertising to use city roads during the busy seasons</li> </ul>
Next Meeting:	March 19, 2018
Adjourn	7:26 PM

Handouts:  
January 22, 2018 Draft Minutes  
Other items were included in the packet.