

## SeaTac Airport Committee Summary Minutes

July 17, 2017 6:00 PM City Hall - Council Chambers

## **Committee members present:**

Peter Kwon, Erin Sitterley, Tom Dantzler, Joel Wachtel, Craig Baker, Doris Cassan, Roger McCracken, Douglas Hill **Absent:** Michael J. Siefkes, **Staff:** CED Director Jeff Robinson, Sr. Asst. City Attorney Mark Johnsen, Exec. Asst. Lesa Ellis, and Planning Manager Steve Pilcher. **Absent:** City Manager Joseph Scorcio

Councilmembers in the Audience: Deputy Mayor Pam Fernald (Beginning)

TOPIC	ACTION
Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM. Acting Chair Sitterley stated that Chair Siefkes had family obligations and City Manager Scorcio is ill.
Public Comment	None
Approval of Minutes	Moved by Craig Baker and seconded by Joel Wachtel to approve the June, 19, 2017 minutes as written. Motion carried.
WSDOT Update on SR509 Completion/ Puget Sound Gateway Project	Craig Stone and Omar Jepperson of WSDOT provided an overview of the project which included: Legislative direction, project scope, south access expressway, local travel demand, tolling, coordination with Sound Transit and next steps. The PowerPoint presentation will be included in the meeting packet.
Potential appeal of Port's environmental determination regarding Concourse D/ Hardstand Project	Mr. Robinson stated that at their July 11, 2017 Council Meeting, the City Council referred this issue to the Airport Advisory Committee for a recommendation on whether or not to file an appeal. Due to the appeal deadline, the Council will need to provide direction to staff at their July 25, 2017 Council Meeting. Mr. Pilcher is the environmental official for the city. He provided an overview of the SEPA process. An appeal of the DNS would go to court. The 22 SEPA comment letters were provided to the Committee.
	Discussion included concerns and questions regarding: the Port piece-mealing projects rather than doing an environmental impact statement of the SAMP as a whole, missing documentation to support the Port's statements of no increase in traffic and number of flights resulting from this project, identifying what "significant adverse environmental impacts" exist that would trigger an EIS, the costs of filing an appeal including staff time, lack of transparency, and ramifications of filing an appeal during ILA negotiations.
	Due to the fact that City staff is still working on a recommendation to the City Council on whether or not to file an appeal and that the meeting with the Port and affected cities will not take place until Thursday morning, the Committee did not make a

	recommendation.
	Staff will advise the City Council of staff's recommendation at the July 25 Council Study Session, potentially during an Executive Session. The Committee wants to make sure there is an
	opportunity for public comment at the meeting.
Future Meeting Topics	Chair Sitterley ran through the list. Mr. Baker requested the
	update on Port Traffic Plans/SAMP be given priority.
Next Meeting:	August 21, 2017 Meeting cancelled.
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM