

Regional Airport Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

9:30 A.M. – Noon
Friday, March 26, 2010
MetroCenter Auditorium
101 8th Street
Oakland, CA 94607

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Chair Garbarino

The following Members were present:

Councilmember Dean Chu (Vice Chair)
Mayor Alice Fredericks
Councilmember Richard Garbarino (Chair)
Mr. Cary Greene
Supervisor Carol Groom
Supervisor Mark Luce
Mr. John Martin
Ms. Kristi McKenney
Mr. Elisha Novak
Mr. Sean Randolph
Mr. William Sabo (replacing Mr. Carl Miller, Monterey Peninsula Airport Board of Directors)

The following Alternate Members were present:

Mr. John Bergener
Mr. Mark Batista (replacing Mr. Tom Greer, Monterey Peninsula Airport District)
Ms. Susan Palmeri

Others present:

Mr. Carl Honiker (representing Livermore Municipal Airport)
Mr. Carl Mosher (representing Sacramento County Airport System)

2. **Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

3. **Minutes**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved as submitted.

4. **Regional Airport System Planning Analysis: a. Target Analysis Results**

Joe LaClair introduced David Hollander of SH&E who then introduced Beverly Jones. Ms. Jones presented the results of the Target Analysis. Committee Member Martin expressed his surprise at how little difference there would be in customer access time after redistribution of traffic to other airports.

Mr. Hollander responded that the total number of passengers shifted in this redistribution is relatively small.

Mr. Martin recommended this be discussed in the public workshops. Mr. Martin also noted the unconstrained forecast is very high and that once airports are at capacity, passengers would be forced to other airports.

Mr. Hollander responded that the unconstrained forecast assumes that shares of traffic in Oakland and San Jose will come back from where they were in 2008. The redistribution already in place and the projected delays at San Francisco are accounted for in the forecast.

Mr. Carl Honiker commented on the reduction of population inside the 65 CNEL curves.

Mr. Hollander responded that he was also surprised at the reduction due to the significant noise reduction in aircraft between 1990 and 2000. This level of noise reduction is not expected in the future.

Mr. Honiker recommends forming a strong answer as the question will certainly come up during the public workshops. Mr. Honiker also mentioned that ABAG's projections show an increase in populations of 25% by 2035 and notes that these numbers could be flawed.

Mr. Hollander agrees that a big public reaction is expected. However, the results do make sense.

Committee Member McKenney commented that the ATC issue and noise issue will require explanation to the community. Airports have their own projections that we will need to compare and understand the results. By 2035 ATC technologies may be feasible, but in the next 10-15 years may see significant delays due to inability to implement them. Community needs to understand huge hurdles airports face in implementing these technologies.

Committee Members Greene and Novak recommended that this information be presented to the public in terms of the relationship of goals to targets and should be refined to reflect the actual goals.

Mr. Novak added that it should be made clear, when talking to the public that some runway delays are not in control of the airport.

Mr. Hollander responded that this would be better addressed by RAPC Staff rather than SH & E.

Committee Member Martin suggested that it would be safer to use 2007 population as base for noise mapping.

Mr. Brittle raised that there are conflicting regional policies. The region wants great airports and we want population near transit and the downtown core. We're going to get population increases if we follow smart growth policies. Region is headed that way unless there is population growth elsewhere.

Mr. Martin responded that the solution is to disaggregate the data to show both scenarios.

Committee Member Novak asked Mr. Hollander if he was aware that San Mateo County is currently completing a study on land use around airports.

Mr. Hollander asked if this was reflected in the ABAG population forecast.

Mr. Novak said that he will look at the ABAG Projections.

b. Public Workshops

Ms. Lindy Lowe (BCDC) discussed the Public workshop dates and locations as follows: The workshops will be held on May 10, 11 & 12. Locations have changed from San Jose, San Francisco & Fairfield to Oakland, San Francisco & Fairfield. A meeting will be held in San Jose during the second phase.

In addition to the Public Workshops, outreach will be taking place via visits to Sonoma County, Contra Costa County (near Buchanan Airfield) and Fairfield, to talk to elected officials and airport officials. Ms. Lowe also extended the offer to Stockton, Monterey and Sacramento.

The structure of the workshops was also presented by Ms. Lowe, who then solicited recommendations and suggestions from the Committee Members, particularly on how to engage the public.

Chair Garbarino suggestion that comments be emailed to Ms. Lowe.

5. Old Business

The next meeting will be held on June 25, 2010

6. New Business

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.