



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH AVIATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

**Civic Center Community Room, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA
92660**

Monday, July 18, 2022 - 5:00 PM

Aviation Committee Members:

**Council Member Diane Dixon, Chair
Council Member Noah Blom, Vice Chair**

**Nancy Alston - SPON Representative
Elizabeth Braley - District 3
Jeffrey Cole - District 6
Julie Johnson - CAANP Representative
Anthony Khoury - AWG Representative
Stephen Livingston - General Aviation
Hugh Logan - District 7
Sharon Ray - District 2
Ron Rubino - District 4
Jack Stranberg - Member At Large
Cameron Verdi - District 5
Vacant - District 1
Vacant - Newport Coast Representative**

Staff Members:

**Grace K. Leung, City Manager
Tara Finnigan, Assistant City Manager
Aaron Harp, City Attorney
Shirley Oborny, Executive Assistant to the City Manager**

The Aviation Committee meeting is subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act. Among other things, the Brown Act requires that the Aviation Committee agenda be posted at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of each regular meeting and that the public be allowed to comment on agenda items before the Committee and items not on the agenda but are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Aviation Committee. The Chair may limit public comments to a reasonable amount of time, generally three (3) minutes per person.

The public can submit questions and comments in writing for the Aviation Committee to consider by sending them by email to Aviation@newportbeachca.gov by Monday, July 18, 2022 at 10 a.m. to give the Aviation Committee time to consider your comments. All emails will be made part of the record.

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NOTICE REGARDING PRESENTATIONS REQUIRING USE OF CITY EQUIPMENT

Any presentation requiring the use of the City of Newport Beach's equipment must be submitted to the City Manager's Office 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

II. **ROLL CALL**

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

[Draft Minutes - May 16, 2022](#)

IV. **CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

V. **CURRENT BUSINESS**

a) **Oral Reports**

1. Diane Dixon, Aviation Committee Chair, will introduce Charlene Reynolds, the new Airport Director for John Wayne Airport.
2. Tara Finnigan, Assistant City Manager, will share updates from the City's government relations consultants, Channon Hanna of Carpi & Clay and Cori Takkinen of Townsend and Associates.

b) **Revised Aviation Committee Assignments**

Committee Member Jeff Cole has been assigned to the Standard Instrument Departures Monitoring Ad Hoc.

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment - 2022 Aviation Committee Assignments by Focus Area and Priority \(Revised July 2022\)](#)

c) **Aviation Committee 2022 Priorities - Progress Updates**

Individual members or Ad Hoc Committees that have met or otherwise studied their respective priority will provide progress updates.

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment - Aviation Committee 2022 Priorities Tracking Sheet](#)

VI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE**

AGENDAS

Public comments are invited on agenda and non-agenda items generally considered to be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Aviation Committee. Speakers must limit comments to three (3) minutes. Before speaking, we invite, but do not require, you to state your name for the record. The Aviation Committee has the discretion to extend or shorten the speakers' time limit on agenda or non-agenda items, provided the time limit adjustment is applied equally to all speakers. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.

VII. **NEXT MEETING - September 19, 2022, 5 p.m.**

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
MINUTES of the
AVIATION COMMITTEE
(draft until approved by the Committee)

**MEETING DATE & LOCATION: Monday, May 16, 2022, 5 p.m., Civic Center
Community Room, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660**

ATTENDANCE:

Committee membership:

Council Member Diane Dixon, Chair
Council Member Noah Blom, Vice Chair
Nancy Alston – SPON Representative
Elizabeth Braley – District 3
Jeffrey Cole – District 6 (absent, excused)
Roger Ham – Newport Coast representative
Julie Johnson – CAANP representative
Anthony Khoury – AWG representative
Stephen Livingston – General Aviation
Hugh Logan – District 7 (absent, excused)
Sharon Ray – District 2
Ron Rubino – District 4
Jack Stranberg – Member at Large
Cameron Verdi – District 5
VACANT – District 1

Staff: City Manager Grace K. Leung, Assistant City Manager Tara Finnigan, City Attorney Aaron Harp, and Executive Assistant to the City Manager Shirley Oborny

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Diane Dixon called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Logan and Cole had excused absences.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2022, meeting as presented was made by Committee Member Rubino and seconded by Committee Member Livingston. The motion carried unanimously with Vice Chair Blom and Committee Member Ham abstaining.

IV. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Dixon expressed her appreciation for the community volunteers and the attendees who take time to be a part of the meeting. She reiterated that the Brown Act is state law and the protocols that are followed for conducting the meeting are intended for transparency and for facilitating the decision making, and that everyone's cooperation is appreciated.

V. CURRENT BUSINESS

A. Oral Reports

1. Kevin Karpe, Diverse Vector Aviation, will provide an update on the projects he is working on for the City of Newport Beach.

Kevin Karpe reported that he has monitored flight patterns in the Bayview Terrace area now that the voluntary departure procedure has been communicated to the general aviation community. He said it's not perfect, but there is definitely improvement, especially if there are only one or two planes in the pattern. When the pattern becomes busy, it gets extended at times and there are also planes departing to the southeast that are not required to return prior to CA-73 so it puts the planes in the vicinity of Bayview. He and Sharon Ray will give a presentation on the departure to Bayview's Homeowner's Association next week.

In response to Chair Dixon asking why the pilots are starting to comply at a higher rate, Mr. Karpe referenced the airport's efforts to publicize the plan.

2. Tara Finnigan, Assistant City Manager, will share updates from the City's government relations consultants Channon Hanna of Carpi & Clay and Cori Takkinen of Townsend & Associates

Assistant City Manager Finnigan stated that Ms. Hanna is working to connect Newport Beach communities that also experience overflight noise. The goal is to work with other cities or community groups that struggle with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) coordination and communication. The Appropriations Committees in both the House and the Senate have started holding hearings on the President's budget request, including the DOT budget request. This is the first step that the Committee takes before drafting its FY 2023 appropriations legislation. The City submitted its language request to its House and Senate delegations, asking how the FAA will engage their communities that are not a part of roundtables. The House Aviation Subcommittee has held several hearings on a variety of topics, including noise, in an effort to start hearing the stakeholders and FAA officials leading into the next FAA Reauthorization cycle.

Chair Dixon stated that in 2018 the FAA Reauthorization Bill went through Congress and a delegation from Newport Beach went to Washington D.C. She asked if we should be making the same direct mitigation contact. Assistant City Manager Finnigan stated the Capitol offices are still not accepting in-person meetings.

Cori Takkinen is the City's Local Government Affairs representative, and she's had conversations with various County representatives. The appointment of the next Airport Director, Charlene Reynolds, is on the County Board of Supervisor's May 24, 2022 agenda.

3. Tara Finnigan, Assistant City Manager, will discuss the 2022 Aviation Noise and Emissions Symposium that was held from May 1-3 at UC Davis.

Assistant City Manager Finnigan stated that she and Committee Members Johnson, Rubino and Ray, participated in the meetings. City Attorney Aaron Harp also attended. The conference was held in a hybrid format - in person and virtual. There were only approximately 70-80 people attending in person, which made it harder to network. Connections were made with Palo Alto and proposed legislative ideas will be shared. Next Generation technology (vertical takeoff) was one of the topics discussed and it could be in use as soon as 2024. Joby Aviation was the keynote

speaker. There were also discussions on how to engage with the FAA, and what airports are doing to control emissions.

Committee Member Johnson stated the conference was different this year, with not as many speakers. In regard to the San Diego Airport official's presentation, she wondered if there was a positive outcome in San Diego, one that benefited the community. Kevin Karpe replied that when they designed the departure, the track moved north over communities that had never had noise over them before. The communities got involved and the FAA did not accept the procedure because the FAA does not like to move noise to another part of the community. This went on for several years, with multiple design groups, with no benefit.

Committee Member Alston said she looked at San Diego's statistics.

Committee Member Rubino stated that the Palo Alto representative expressed themselves well about the communications with the community. He felt the FAA ombudsman role was not helpful. He thinks the small vertical flight airplanes are interesting and quiet, but will create problems, such as bringing them in safely.

4. Mel Beale, Airport Working Group, will provide an update on items related to the commercial airline noise mitigation workshop.

Mel Beale said he's been working one on one with representatives of United, Southwest, American and Alaska. In the flight simulator, they were able to get United's 737-800 noise from 89.8 and 89.9 dBs into the 86 dB range. This is a good reduction and a big improvement. The goal is to get United to accept this model. The next meeting with the air carriers is a workshop in July and the hope is that all the airlines who fly the 800s will accept the departure we are requesting.

Committee Member Johnson asked if the four decibels are less noise out of the entire departure or just for specific areas. Mel Beale said the current SEL decibel reading for Boeing aircraft (excluding MAX) at the shoreline is approximately 82 dB. This area already has relatively lower noise readings due to the altitude being near 4,000 feet. It will not be improved as much by the changes recommended for United, American and Delta. The results of the preferred simulated flight track north of PCH is where the real gain would be realized. In the simulated results for these areas, estimated noise on Boeing aircraft was lower by roughly 3-4 dB (from current readings of approx. 90 dBs at Noise Monitors 5 & 6, to about 86 in Dover Shores, and with Eastbluff slightly better at 85.8).

Committee Member Johnson asked if the thrust at the shoreline has been addressed. Mel Beale agreed that when the airplane speeds up, it creates more noise. He said multiple airlines stated they are not applying more thrust on until they are off the shoreline. The hope is to get American and United to do so.

Mel Beale stated he shared with Alaska what they have been doing with United and Southwest and asked them to adopt the same changes. The request will also be stressed strongly at the next workshop.

Mel Beale said he and Jack Stranberg met with Southwest in Texas.

Committee Member Stranberg stated that he was tasked with pursuing the fleet modernization. He focused on Southwest, the largest carrier out of John Wayne Airport (JWA). Southwest has

4,000 flights a day, serving over 100 airports. It uses sophisticated algorithms and artificial intelligence for scheduling. He discussed fleet modernization with Southwest representatives and they agreed on opportunities that would work for communities and the airline. At the meeting, they focused on three main areas: 1) more Max's; 2) reducing the number of Boeing 800s; and 3) looking at unique opportunities. This information was taken back to the network planning and scheduling team. The results are as follows: 1) within two weeks and through October there will be 14 Max departures out of JWA, representing 26% of the departures; 2) Beginning in September and October the first three departures starting at 6:45 a.m. will be Max's; and 3) In the 8, 9 and 10 a.m. timeframe there will be three more Max departures a day.

Committee Member Alston stated she is really encouraged and thanked Mel and Jack.

Committee Member Johnson asked if other airlines can be approached since Southwest is willing to discuss their networking. Committee Member Stranberg stated that it's about relationships. Committee Member Johnson suggested the Committee try to get the other carriers to get new planes as well.

Committee Member Verdi asked about airline's expectations Committee Member Stranberg stressed the public private partnership and that this is a long-term effort.

Dennis Bress, resident of Balboa Island, expressed that even with quieter aircraft, if they don't fly higher and go slower, there will still be a noise problem. He believes Alaska is still a problem. He thinks public comment should be received after each item. He also asked how it is determined if we are making progress. He suggested monthly noise reports get submitted to the City. He also stated that we have the technology to have Zoom meetings.

Jim Mosher, resident of Newport Beach, inquired about the trial departure flights and recalled that the results City Manager Leung presented were not great. A 4-decibel improvement is needed. What will the impact be of the new procedure at monitors for 1, 2, 3, 4?

Alan Guenther, resident of Newport Beach, stated that in March 2021, Roger Ham's subcommittee came up with the best departure procedure to minimize noise. In April 2021, the Committee voted to go to the airlines and try to have them adopt the recommended departure. He asked if the committee is changing departure procedures outlined back in March 2021. He recommended the Committee review its methodology for approaching and dealing with the airlines on what we would like to see them to do. He agrees with the approach taken by Beale and Stranberg in building relationships and he encourages meeting with them more often.

Michael Lev, resident of Balboa Island, noted that this topic is extremely complex. He requested to the Committee go over things more than once and to use plain language. He sought clarification on whether United's 800 planes have a different departure profile and what the decibels are and how they compare to the Max's.

Joe August, resident of Newport Beach, said the DNL, the current noise metric from 1981, is outdated and it needs to be changed. He said that the work that Beale and Stranberg are doing is a huge accomplishment for the community. He also wants there to be a focus on the next FAA Reauthorization Act. The 2018 version had several noise components and health studies.

Natalie Lauren said she has received data for every community and homeowners' association in Newport Beach. She expressed concern over extreme health hazards. She wants the City and

County to be honest with citizens and to act upon their wellbeing. She said she is concerned about the strict protocols the FAA has placed upon the City and County.

5. Aviation Committee 2022 Priorities - Progress Updates. Individual members or Ad Hoc Committees that have met or otherwise studied their respective priority will provide progress updates.

Assistant City Manager Finnigan stated that in regard to airport operations and relations, she, Chair Dixon and Stephen Livingston had a couple of meetings with the FBOs, including ACI and Clay Lacy. The General Aviation Improvement Program (GAIP) construction project has been on hold pending an approval letter from the FAA. Clay Lacy and Jay's plan to begin their projects in the late 2022/January 2023, and ACI will begin a couple years later. Once construction begins, there will be a seven to eight-year timeline for the project to be fully constructed.

Assistant City Manager Finnigan stated they spoke to the FBOs about the rent concerns. When the project was approved, the County increased rent amounts and the FBOs' costs increased too. There are some vacancies because the project is still pending. There are some planes that have left JWA, but some new planes want to come in.

Finnigan also stated that there was change in the minority ownership of ACI about one year ago.

Committee Member Ray stated the Fly Friendly Program is very close to being implemented and that JWA staff is still waiting on final approval from the FAA.

Assistant City Manager Finnigan, and Committee Members Braley and Alston will help write the updates, as Mr. Mosher stated there has not been a newsletter in a while.

Assistant City Manager Finnigan and Committee Member Rubino met to discuss the educational program on the Settlement Agreement. Committee Member Rubino said City Attorney Harp provided a lot of information. Committee Member Rubino will work with Committee Member Ray, on developing the program. This year is the set up for what needs to be accomplished for continuous education

Dennis Bress, resident, stated that Fly Friendly will start in one to two weeks. He said any time you have a complex problem, you need data points to compare week to week and that Fly Friendly will have these data points. He said there are 450 departures through our community per day, and 75 percent are GA corporate jets. He wants departures that are high, slow and quiet not low, fast and loud.

Committee Member Alston stated that we do not have 450 departures. As of December, there were 206 jet departures.

Joe August, resident of Newport Beach, stated the data shows the STAY procedure is not quiet. He invited the committee to come to his home to see what United does. He described a United departure. He believes Newport Beach should focus on the NADP-1 with a V2+20 to 3,000 feet.

Assistant City Manager Finnigan stated that copies of the quarterly noise reports have been provided at this meeting per the Committee's request.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT'S ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Dennis Bress, resident, of Balboa Island, stated he got to ride through Elon Musk's / The Boring Company's tunnel in Las Vegas in a Tesla. He described the experience. He suggested that the City should officially ask the County to perform a feasibility study on how to make a connection between Anaheim-ARTIC to Ontario Airport. He said Ontario wants the business.

Craig Ryan, So Cal Pilots, said the GAIP eliminates 254 small airplanes from JWA and replaces them with corporate jets. He said the County changed the definition of small general aviation (GA) to anything under 49 feet or under 12,500 lbs. To reduce noise from GA jet departures, the County needs to change the definition to "and 12,500 lbs.", the FAA definition, and not eliminate 254 small planes. He said the County increased its revenue by over \$1 million a year just on the ACI hangars and increased ACI's property taxes by 585% in one year and 380% on Jays. He said we need to help the small airplanes or there will be more jets. Committee Member Alston expressed concern over the County's definition of small general aviation.

Jim Mosher, resident, suggested a future item. Related to what Mr. Lev said, it would be good for the committee to sponsor a listening experiment by taking random residents and seeing how easily they can tell the difference between four decibels. Would that change be enough to offset the increasing number of aircraft? He also stated that he is appreciative that the quarterly noise reports are available. This report is required by all airports that have noise impact areas. A presentation would be useful in explaining what the information in these reports mean.

Alan Guenther, resident, reported that Corporate Aviation Activity, year after year through April, increased 33% in all 48 states and has exceeded the 2019 pre-Covid numbers. If the Committee is entertaining other departure procedures to obtain its goal of less noise, he has an idea that might have merit, for significantly less noise. Chair Dixon said staff will talk to the Ad Hoc committee about Mr. Guenther's idea.

Linda Kensey, resident of Balboa Island, asked for clarification that the 209 jet departures are both commercial and private.

Committee Member Alston stated that in 2008, there was a proposal to locate a heliport on top of a building adjacent to JWA. Newport Beach was opposed. She said Newport Beach has tried to protect the airport's footprint for years. She asked what basis was used to stop the heliport. We referenced a Memorandum of Understanding with Costa Mesa.

City Attorney Aaron Harp stated that the heliport went to the Costa Mesa Planning Commission, and it was opposed.

Committee Member Stranberg suggested the Committee focus on the extensive growth of GA jet operations in the future.

Committee Member Alston suggested the City should not go into the next Settlement Agreement negotiations with JWA, assuming there will be more passengers.

Tony Khoury stated that there have been issues concerning expansion in the past and noted that if we don't fight, we can't stop them. Chair Dixon agreed that the City will continue to fight to stop expansion because it's in the City's policy.

Chair Dixon stated there will be no meetings in June and August.

VII. NEXT MEETING – July 18, 2022

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Dixon adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

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Aviation Committee Staff Report

July 18, 2022
Agenda Item No. V.b

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE AVIATION COMMITTEE

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TITLE: Standard Instrument Departures Monitoring Ad Hoc Membership

ABSTRACT:

Long-time Aviation Committee Member Roger Ham opted not to reapply to serve on the committee once his term expired on June 30. This created an open seat on the Standard Instrument Departures Monitoring Ad Hoc. Committee Member Jeff Cole has agreed to join this Ad Hoc Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the revised list of 2022 Aviation Committee Assignments by Focus Area and Priority.

DISCUSSION:

At its April 18, 2022 meeting, the Aviation Committee approve the formation of the Standard Instrument Departures Monitoring, Communication Content, Educational Programming, and Government Relations Plan Review Ad Hoc Committees. The Committee also received a list of committee member assignments for 2022.

The Standard Instrument Departures Monitoring Ad Hoc is responsible for consulting with City staff to monitor changes to the existing JWA Standard Instrument Departures to restrict speed until a point offshore, alleviating the need for increased thrust. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022.

Committee Members Jack Stranberg, Roger Ham and Hugh Logan were assigned to serve on this Ad Hoc, but Mr. Ham decided not to reapply to serve on the Aviation Committee once his term expired on June 30. Committee Member Jeff Cole has agreed to take his place on the Standard Instrument Departures Monitoring Ad Hoc.

NOTICING:

The agenda item has been noticed according to the Brown Act (72 hours in advance of the meeting at which the City Council considers the item).

ATTACHMENT:

2022 Aviation Committee Assignments by Focus Area and Priority (Revised July 2022)

2022 Aviation Committee Assignments by Focus Area and Priority (Revised July 2022)

If more than one committee member is assigned, the member's name shown in **bold type** will serve as the lead.

1. Airport Operations & Relations

- a. For calendar year 2022, monitor and report to the Committee on the Development of the General Aviation Improvement Program.
 - i. [Steve Livingston](#)
- b. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff regarding the implementation of a Fly Quiet Program for General Aviation and monitor General Aviation trends at JWA.
 - i. [Sharon Ray](#)
- c. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff to develop a relationship with the new JWA director and continue to communicate with airport management and staff to better understand JWA operations.
 - i. [Jeff Cole](#)
- d. For calendar year 2022, monitor and report to the Committee regarding any County decisions related to JWA that would physically expand JWA or its operations.
 - i. [Julie Johnson](#)

2. Quieter Departures

- a. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff to monitor changes to the existing JWA Standard Instrument Departures to restrict speed until a point offshore, alleviating the need for increased thrust. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022.
 - i. **[Jack Stranberg](#)**
 - ii. [Hugh Logan](#)
 - iii. [Jeff Cole](#)
- b. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff as they continue to pursue broader adoption of the STAYY departure.
 - i. [Tony Khoury](#)
- c. For calendar year 2022, monitor air carrier fleet transition and work with City staff to encourage to air carriers to utilize the quietest aircraft in their fleets at JWA.
 - i. [Jack Stranberg](#)

3. Communication / Outreach

- a. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff as staff develops monthly content for City staff to share via City communication channels and for Committee members to share with their neighbors/organizations. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022.
 - i. **Nancy Alston**
 - ii. Elizabeth Braley
- b. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff as they work to implement the adopted Community Outreach Plan.
 - i. Tony Khoury
- c. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff as it develops an educational program on the 1985 Settlement Agreement and other pertinent airport/aviation matters. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022.
 - i. **Ron Rubino**
 - ii. Sharon Ray

4. Government Relations

- a. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff as they work to implement the City's 2022 Aviation/Airport government relations plan.
 - i. Cameron Verdi
- b. For calendar year 2022, review the City's Aviation/Airport government relations plan and recommend updates / changes for 2023 and report back to the Committee. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022.
 - i. **Hugh Logan**
 - ii. Julie Johnson
 - iii. Cameron Verdi
- c. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff as they work to establish a good working relationship with the FAA and assist City staff with research and tracking of the 2018 FAA Reauthorization Bill as well as recommendations for the next Reauthorization bill.
 - i. Ron Rubino
- d. For calendar year 2022, consult with City staff as it researches and develops proposals the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2023.
 - i. TBD



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Aviation Committee Staff Report

July 18, 2022
Agenda Item No. V.c

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE AVIATION COMMITTEE

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TITLE: Aviation Committee 2022 Priorities – Progress Updates

ABSTRACT:

Individual members or Ad Hoc committees that have met or otherwise studied their respective priority will provide progress updates.

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

NOTICING:

The agenda item has been noticed according to the Brown Act (72 hours in advance of the meeting at which the City Council considers the item).

ATTACHMENT:

Aviation Committee 2022 Priorities Tracking Sheet

AVIATION COMMITTEE 2022 PRIORITIES TRACKING

1. Airport Operations & Relations - Matters pertaining to development, operations, and other commercial and general aviation activities at John Wayne Airport

	a. Monitor and report on the Development of the General Aviation Improvement Program. (Livingston)	b. Consult with City staff regarding the implementation of a Fly Quiet Program for General Aviation and monitor General Aviation trends at JWA. (Ray)	c. Consult with City staff to develop a relationship with the new JWA director and continue to communicate with airport management and staff to better understand JWA operations. (Cole)	d. Monitor and report to the Committee regarding any County decisions related to JWA that would physically expand JWA or its operations. (Johnson)	
May 16, 2022	Committee Member Livingston, along with Chair Dixon and staff, met with the FBOs, including ACI and Clay Lacy. The General Aviation Improvement Program construction project has been on hold pending an approval letter from the FAA. Clay Lacy and Jays plan to begin their projects in the Fall of 2022/January 2023, and ACI will begin a couple years later. Once construction begins there will be a seven to eight-year timeline.	The Fly Friendly Program is very close to being implemented. The County and JWA are still waiting on final approval from the FAA.	Nothing to report at this time.	Nothing to report at this time.	

2. Quieter Departures - Matters pertaining to the technical aspects of reducing aircraft overflight noise and pollution.

	a. Consult with City staff to monitor changes to the existing JWA Standard Instrument Departures to restrict speed until a point offshore, alleviating the need for increased thrust. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022. (Stranberg)	b. Consult with City staff as they continue to pursue broader adoption of the STAYY departure. (Khoury)	c. Monitor air carrier fleet transition and work with City staff to encourage air carriers to utilize the quietest aircraft in their fleets at JWA. (Stranberg)		
May 16, 2022	Nothing to report at this time.	Nothing to report at this time.	Committee Member Stranberg, along with Mel Beale of the Airport Working Group, traveled to Texas to meet with Southwest, the largest carrier out of John Wayne Airport (JWA). They networked with Southwest's staff and talked about fleet modernization and discussed opportunities that would work for communities and the airline. The discussion focused on 1) utilizing more Max's; 2) reducing the number of Boeing 800s, and 3) looking at unique opportunities. This information was taken back to Southwest's network planning and scheduling team. Stranberg and Beale met with the Vice President of Network Planning and Director of Scheduling. The results are as follows: 1) through October, there will be 14 Max departures out of JWA, representing 26% of the departures. During that timeframe 2) Beginning in September and October the first three morning departures starting. will be Max's.; 3) In the 8, 9 and 10 a.m. timeframe there will be three more Max departures a day.		

3. Community Outreach / Communication - Matters pertaining to providing information about and involving the community in the City's aviation-related activities.

	a. Consult with City staff as staff develops monthly content for City staff to share via City communication channels and for Committee members to share with their neighbors/organizations. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022. (Alston)	b. Consult with City staff as they work to implement the adopted Community Outreach Plan. (Khoury)	c. Consult with City staff as it develops an educational program on the 1985 Settlement Agreement and other pertinent airport/aviation matters. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022. (Rubino)		
May 16, 2022	Nothing to report at this time.	Nothing to report at this time.	Met with Assistant City Manager Finnigan and City Attorney Harp on the Educational Program for the Settlement Agreement. Will be working with Committee Member Ray to determine who the audience is and what the message is.		

4. Government Relations - Matters pertaining to working with county, state and federal officials on strategies to balance airport and community needs and to advocate for the protection of our city and its environmental assets and public amenities.

	a. Consult with City staff as they work to implement the City's 2022 Aviation/Airport government relations plan. (Verdi)	b. Review the City's Aviation/Airport government relations plan and recommend updates / changes for 2023 and report back to the Committee. This Ad Hoc Committee will expire on December 31, 2022. (Logan)	c. Consult with City staff as they work to establish a good working relationship with the FAA and assist City staff with research and tracking of the 2018 FAA Reauthorization Bill as well as recommendations for the next Reauthorization bill. (Rubino)	d. Consult with City staff as it researches and develops proposals for the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2023. (TBD)	
May 16, 2022	Nothing to report at this time.	Nothing to report at this time.	Nothing to report at this time.	Nothing to report at this time.	