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COUNTY AIRPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes from the May 19, 2021 Meeting

Location: Virtually, via Zoom

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:07 p.m. by Russ Sardina, Chair

To comply with protective requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was virtual, using Zoom, and it was recorded.

Participating members: Russ Sardina, Jason Brand, Chris Nelson, Gary Vorderbruggen

Absent members: Sue Bell, Ricky Branaugh, Mike Worth

Participating staff: Michael Andersen, Daniel Vandekoolwyk, Chris Perry, Sherrie Busby, Julianne Melchor, Jeremy Gutenberger, Jessica Dillon

Guests: John McCormack, Mark Moss, John Vybiral

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Russ Sardina made a motion to adopt the agenda without changes; Jason Brand seconded the motion. The agenda was adopted without changes.

III. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES: Gary Vorderbruggen made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 24, 2021 meeting and the April 14, 2021 Special Meeting; Chris Nelson seconded the motion. The minutes of the March 24, 2021 meeting and the April 14, 2021 Special Meeting were adopted without changes.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

a) Insurance Requirements – Michael Andersen, Risk Management

i) Committee members feel the requirements are a financial hardship and other airports in the area are not requiring the same insurance. Specifically, the auto insurance is higher than the Committee members feel is right.

ii) Michael Andersen, Risk Manager, clarified that the auto insurance requirement is \$100,000 bodily injury and \$300,000 per occurrence, not \$1,000,000.

b) Brown Act Training – Daniel Vandekoolwyk, County Counsel

i) Daniel gave a Brown Act presentation. Three meetings that the Committee can have: a meeting, serial meeting, and special meeting.

c) Economic Development Principles Workshop – Chris Perry

i) Committee members and Chris Perry provided ideas for economic development at both airports. List will be reviewed and altered at each meeting.

(1) Public Comment: John McCormack proposed a pilot lounge in Georgetown and a vehicle to use to get to town from the Georgetown Airport. Rental cars are not available.

d) Safety Message – Gary Vorderbruggen

- i) Caution anyone coming into Georgetown due to the wind.
- ii) Prop blasts: please be courteous to point the airplane away from people and other people's hangars. Be good neighbors.

e) Tie-down and Lease Rates

- i) No Committee member or public comments.

V. STAFF REPORTS:

- a) WIFI: Internet was down for a day and a half. Jeremy Gutenberger talked to the vendor about the slow speeds. Jeremy is hoping the speeds get better by working with the vendor.
- b) Georgetown Airport Obstruction Pole: Jeremy was able to get a crane out to the Georgetown Airport to replace the light on the obstruction pole. The NOTAM is still in place so that pilots know where the pole is located. Caltrans wants to see the trees removed before they can remove the pole.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- a) Jason Brand – the EAA is hosting a Young Eagles event on June 12th. The EAA would like a member of the County to be present at the event.
- b) Gary Vorderbruggen – Fly-in event at Georgetown Airport on May 29th sponsored by Kids on the Divide. Gary would like to see County staff at the event.

VII. ACTION ITEMS: None

VIII. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS:

- a) Russ Sardina – Placerville Airport users, please be mindful of how you treat the fuel equipment. Don't let the nozzle drag on the ground.
- b) Jason Brand – Feels the meetings are getting more productive and he appreciates it.

IX. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

- a) Debrief of the Georgetown event on May 29th and the EAA event on June 12th
- b) Economic Development
- c) Rates and fees
- d) Insurance requirements

X. ADJOURNMENT:

- a) Russ Sardina made a motion to adjourn; Jason Brand seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m. The next meeting will be on July 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.