

SONOMA COUNTY  
AVIATION COMMISSION  
Minutes of the July 21, 2016 Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Young called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Ahrens, Carrillo, Delaney, McCord (left at 9:02 a.m.), Starrett, and Young.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *McCord moved with support from Carrillo to approve the May 19, 2016, Aviation Commission Minutes. Starrett Abstained. 5 Ayes. Motion Carried.*

**AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT**

**A. Complaint Update**

Stout reported that there were 83 aircraft related complaints since the last Commission meeting and 3 other complaints. Year to date there have been 112 noise complaints, an increase of 5.7% compared to 106 in 2015.

1. Mike Rover – loud, low jet overflight
2. Mitchell Avery – flight paths should be rerouted
3. Lois Casper – jet overflight
4. Kirsten Larsen – low jet overflight
5. Tess Danaher – low jet overflight
6. Dave Edmonds – increased air traffic
7. Anonymous – loud jet overflights
8. David Griffin – loud jet overflight and no one answers Airport phone on Sundays
9. Anonymous – loud jet overflight
10. Cynthia Shiperly – loud jet overflight
11. David Griffin – jet is too large for area
12. Kirsten Larsen – loud, low jet overflight
13. Diana Thompson – loud jet overflight
14. Rick Larson – loud, low jet overflight
15. Anonymous – loud jet overflight
16. Anonymous – aircraft performing aerobatics
17. Jim (no last name) – flight path should be changed
18. Nancy Frost – loud jet overflight
19. Christopher Peck – loud jet overflight
20. Diane Hill – too many loud jet overflights
21. Tracy Schaffer – loud, low jet overflight
22. David Griffin – loud jet overflight
23. Pete McCurry – loud, low jet overflight
24. Mark Gilmore – loud jet overflight
25. David Griffin – loud jet overflight
26. Kevin Donbeck – low jet overflight
27. Mary McLeary – helicopter overflights
28. Mary McLeary – too many overflights
29. Mary McLeary – too many overflights
30. Anonymous – low jet overflight
31. Chuck Bartley – low jet overflight
32. Scott Griffin – jet too large and loud
33. Andre Tchirkine – loud, low jet overflight

34. Marilyn Standley – loud, low overflight
35. Laura McDonough – loud jet overflights
36. Mark Lincoln – loud jet overflights
37. Barbara Wolfe – loud, low helicopter overflight
38. Tom Bond – loud helicopter overflight
39. David Griffin – loud, low jet overflights
40. Peter McCurry – loud, low overflight
41. Pat Chiappa – loud, low overflight
42. Kent Stone – loud jet overflight
43. Nancy Cordova – loud jet overflight
44. Justin Hickson – loud overflight
45. Bradley Termaine – loud overflight
46. Connie Clark – helicopter overflight
47. Kelly Boiser – loud, low overflights
48. Carrie Marvin – loud overflights
49. Lori Tomsy – loud overflights
50. Bethany Domenichelli – low jet overflight
51. Jacky Beagly – increased loud overflights
52. Scott Hunt – loud, low overflight
53. Kristi Roy Temple – general complaint about service
54. Barbara Wolfe – loud, low overflight
55. Pete McCrorie – loud jet overflight
56. Julia Ettlin – loud overflights
57. Paulette Moudakis – loud overflights
58. Paulette Moudakis – loud overflight
59. Joe Herrera – aircraft exhaust
60. Robert Russell – helicopter overflights
61. Anonymous – use green flight approach
62. Anonymous – jets should use the “new instrument approach”
63. Anonymous – aircraft are not using “new instrument approach”
64. Anonymous – loud overflights
65. Tammy Mollai – flight service
66. Emily Tighe – loud overflights
67. David Griffin – loud jet overflights
68. Brigitte Mansell – helicopter overflight
69. Barbara Wolfe – loud jet overflight
70. Mary McClary – increased air traffic
71. Gail Cochran – flight service
72. Lisa Bollman – aircraft not using new “green flight path”
73. Denise Thurman – loud, low jet overflight
74. Gerry Lennox – loud, low overflights
75. Gary Thornton – loud overflight
76. Daniel Gonzalez – loud, low jet overflights
77. Meredith Bauman – loud overflights
78. Jeffrey Rothman – loud let overflights
79. Barbara Wolfe – loud, low overflights
80. Jan Smith – too much air traffic
81. Rob Shiperly – jet overflight
82. Brian Walker – jet exhaust

### 83. Jason Brendmoen – loud, low jet overflight

Stout stated that the annual complaint summary has to be reviewed before it can be sent to the printer.

### **B. Tower Report/Update**

Stout reported that in April 2016, there were 6,926 operations compared to 6,936 in April 2015, a 0.1% decrease. In May 2016 there were 6,909 operations compared to 7,275 in May 2015, a 5% decrease. Year to date there were 30,098 operations in 2016 compared to 33,756 in 2015, an 11% decrease.

There were no updates from the Tower at this time.

### **C. Airline Update**

Stout reported that there were 30,314 passengers in May 2016 compared to 21,826 in May 2015, an increase of 38.9%. Through May 2016 passengers totaled 119,791 compared to 90,010 through May of 2015, a 33.1% increase. There were 34,955 passengers in June compared to 25,309 in June 2015, an increase of 38.1%. The year-to-date passenger total is 154,746 compared to 115,319 in 2015, up 34.2%.

Stout reported on the June Airline conference. Sun Country will not offer service to Minnesota in the fall of 2016, but will discuss possible service in 2017 this fall. American Airlines is still evaluating service to Phoenix. United Airlines has included STS in its evaluation of service for five cities; San Francisco might be a trial hub city with Denver to be added if the numbers look good. Alaska Airlines is still working on changing its fleet, and possible service to Burbank was discussed.

Stout summarized Trillion Aviation's monthly performance update through June 2016, which was included in the packet.

### **D. Projects Update**

- One Hour Parking – part of the grassy strip in front of the terminal has been removed to create additional one hour parking spaces.
- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations – the charging stations have been reconfigured to meet current ADA requirements.
- Overflow Parking Lot – the overflow parking lot has been completed.
- Apron D Pavement Preservation – crack sealing of the area around the Old Shade Hangars has been completed. The Airport is working on plans to do a micro-surface treatment in the areas around the Executive and New Shade Hangars next year.
- Terminal Upgrade – the design contract and funding options are scheduled for Board of Supervisors' review on September 13, 2016. The long term parking lot will be included as part of that resolution.
- Rental Car Parking and Facilities – the Airport is working with the car rental companies to ascertain vehicle storage needs and the charging of Customer Facility Charges (CFC's), since a new parking lot to include a car wash and detail facility will need to be built.
- Tree Removal – tree trimming and removal are scheduled for the fall.
- Airport Service Road – the contract was awarded to Ghilotti, and tree and brush clearing will proceed this fall for construction to begin in the spring of 2017. Two bridges are needed and should be completed by next fall.

### **E. Airport Neighbors Meeting**

Stout reported on the Airport Neighbors meeting, which was held on Monday, July 18, 2016. A representative from the Pacific Coast Air Museum gave an update of plans for the September 2016 Wings Over Wine Country Air Show. The neighbors expressed concerns about helicopter activities, the

Airport track and roads in the Airport area. The next meeting, probably in January 2017, will include a panel of helicopter operators and a representative from Transportation and Public Works to discuss plans for road improvements.

**ACTION ITEMS**

There were no action items at this time.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no discussion items at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments at this time.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS**

There were no Commission comments at this time.

**ADJOURN**

*Starrett moved with support from Delaney to adjourn. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

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