

## MEETING SUMMARY

Aviation Advisory Committee Meeting  
Monday, January 8, 2018  
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
North Conference Room

<u>Aviation Advisory Committee Members</u>	<u>City Staff</u>
Sheila Brush	Michael Matthias, City Manager
David Clark	Tim George, City Attorney
Steve Edmiston	Susan Cezar, Community Development Director
Wendy Ghiora	Renee Cameron, Deputy City Clerk
Mark Proulx	Conner Edwards, Legislative Advocate

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m.

1. Chair (City Manager) Report:
  - a. Initial Meeting of the University of Washington Ultra Fine Particle Study Technical Advisory Committee.
    - City Manager Matthias provided the Aviation Advisory Committee (AAC) with an update regarding the initial meeting of this committee held on January 5, 2018. Representative Tina Orwall chaired the meeting. Other notables in attendance were Representative Mike Pellicciotti and Port Commissioner Courtney Gregoire. The meeting focused on a presentation (included in your packet) by the UW researchers conducting the study who explained the research design, model, data collection and the assessment process.
    - Committee member Proulx asked if studies are complete and comparable to other cities (e.g. LAX) which include information separate from the traffic system and based on flight patterns. The AAC agreed to obtain the online LAX Ultrafine Particle Study.
    - Committee member Edmiston asked about the dynamics of the room of the meeting and City Manager Matthias said there was openness toward the topic, respectful of science and researchers. Committee member Brush suggested that they be cautious and aware of the FAA's influence.
    - Committee member Ghiora asked if the study will look at particles in the surrounding waters and City Manager Matthias advised that it will not.
  - b. Ongoing process of establishing formal collaboration with our partner cities regarding environmental review of the Sustainable Airport Master Plan (SAMP).
    - City Manager Matthias advised that the City Managers and SEPA Officials for the Cities of Des Moines, Burien, Normandy Park and SeaTac have met and are engaging in an interlocal agreement between the cities to collaborate their resources regarding the environmental assessment for the Sustainable Airport Master Plan (SAMP).

- City Manager Matthias advised that there could possibly be approximately \$150,000 of joint funds from the cities to use for contractual purposes in preparation of the cities' response/comment to the SAMP.
  - The intent/process of responding/commenting to the Port's EIS/SCOPE will include:
    - The Port advising an EIS or SCOPE of Analysis is complete and provide a timeframe to respond.
    - Cities/Consultant will determine if the SCOPE is adequate. If not comment/call out the inadequacies with strong cooperation between the cities.
    - Consultant hired will be unbiased, and understand the federal processes.
    - Work toward having opportunity to participate in the Scoping process.
    - Consultant will review the findings for additional response/clarification.
- c. City Manager Matthias advised the AAC that the first meeting of the Sea-Tac Airport Stakeholder Committee will be held on February 28, 2018. City Council appointed City Manager Matthias to fill the non-elected city employee membership position for an indefinite term on this committee, and appointed AAC member Brush for a two year term to fill the City of Des Moines Community Member Position 1, and Ken Rogers for a two year term to fill the City of Des Moines Community Member Position 2.
2. Information on Air Cargo Washington State Study.
- City Manager Matthias provided the Committee with information on the Air Cargo Washington State Study. The City's Legislative Advocate Conner Edwards will be monitoring the Study closely, tracking information and reporting back to the City.
  - Mr. Edwards provided a brief summary of the Air Cargo Washington State Study undertaken by Department of Transportation, Aviation Division. Mr. Edwards indicated this study will not include a health impact analysis in response to a question.
  - Mr. Edwards advised that he will also be attending the Aviation Caucus meetings in Olympia.
  - Committee member Brush spoke regarding comparable airports with property size mass and huge airports (JFK, Shanghai, etc.) and their acreage of approximately 100 acres and facility size cannot be comparable to the acreage of only 24 acres that SeaTac sits on.
3. Information on issues provided by AAC members:
- a. Resolution from City of Burien regarding Aviation Capacity Needs.
- Committee member Brush forwarded the City of Burien Resolution that was included in the agenda packet to the Committee and believes this would be a good option for the City to consider in advocating for a second airport. The Committee agreed that they would like to propose a similar resolution to the City Council for consideration. Committee member Proulx stated such a resolution would seem to be as effective as a joint cities action. City Attorney George advised that passing such a resolution would not negatively impact the City's

other airport related efforts. Committee member Clark said he would like to see a resolution passed in this regard to be on the record.

- b. Sheila Brush regarding Aircraft Noise Complaint and Inquiry System.
    - City Manager Matthias said he was pleased with the Port of Seattle's December 5, 2017 response to the FAA regarding FAA Aircraft Noise Complaint and Inquiry System (FAA Noise Portal).
    - Committee member Brush advised that 236 public comments had been filed to date. She advised that the City of Des Moines should be considered an "airport city," and will find the mechanism as to how the City can apply for determination as an airport city for consideration of its comment(s).
  - c. Sheila Brush email to Committee regarding Proposal for Funding Jet Fuel Toxicologist.
    - Committee member Brush advised this is a useful resource.
    - Citizen Debi Wagner provided information regarding Dr. Mark Witten's study on jet fuel toxicology and jet fuel particles. She spoke about health incidents in problem areas. She advised that Dr. Witten is available to undertake a study of Sea-Tac Airport and provided Dr. Witten's curriculum vitae.
    - City Manager Matthias stated proving the impacts from the airplanes and determining the mitigation is what is most important right now.
    - Committee member Edmiston suggested obtaining additional information regarding Dr. Witten and his study and discussing this issue at the next meeting in February.
  - d. Other updates.
    - Committee members Proulx and Brush spoke regarding the Puget Sound Regional Council Meeting response and the deadline for the January 31, 2018 public comment period.
4. Next Report to Council  
AAC members agreed that the next Report to City Council will be Thursday, January 18, 2018, and will be presented by Committee member Clark.
5. Public Comment
- MariAnne Markanen; Regarding impacts to her health, sleep, is not able to enjoy her home.
  - Rhonda Cavanaugh, Flight Path Kids; Regarding health issues growing up and living in Des Moines.
  - Debi Wagner; Regarding tree core samples, negative health issues, and Dr. Mark Witten's study and research presentation.
  - Candace Urquhart; Regarding what is the City doing, other means for transportation, and the Port of Seattle moving forward on the SAMP.
  - Rick Johnson; Thanked the AAC for all of the work they are doing. He believes it is time to fight back, and that the FAA process discourages filing of complaints. He does not want to try to be a good neighbor with the FAA.

- Joel Wachtel, City of SeaTac Councilmember; Agreed with all of the comments and believes the Port of Seattle is hard to deal with, and that an interlocal agreement between the cities would be a powerful weapon. He also emphasized the value of the recent interlocal agreement between the City of SeaTac and the Port of Seattle.
- Susan White; Regarding the importance of all the cities working together.
- John Resing, Federal Way Mayor's Task Force; Advised the City of Federal Way had a meeting with Joint Base Lewis McChord (JBLM) Command, and JBLM's Command did not support cargo operations out of JBLM or any consideration in Moses Lake.

City Manager Matthias stated his appreciation for all the comments. He said the chances are better with having more input and power between the Cities of Des Moines, Burien, Normandy Park and SeaTac joining together in a joint response to the SAMP.

6. Adjournment. The Committee meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Renee Cameron, Deputy City Clerk