



# Gillespie Field Development Council



## A Joint Powers Agreement Between the City of El Cajon and County of San Diego

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Phyllis Trombi  
*Chairwoman*

Bob Davison  
*Vice Chairman*

Barry Bardack  
*Councilman*

Jeff Swiney  
*Councilman*

Cliff Leary  
*Councilman*

### MINUTES OF JANUARY 15, 2013 DRAFT – SUBJECT TO GFDC APPROVAL March 19, 2013

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>
Phyllis Trombi	Peter Drinkwater
Bob Davison	John Otto
Barry Bardack	Lee Ann Lardy
Jeff Swiney	Jiri Rutner
Cliff Leary	

For others present, sign-in sheet is available in the Administration Building office.

#### 1. ROLL CALL

Chairman Bardack called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m. All members were present.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Barry Bardack made a motion that the minutes of November 20, 2012 be approved. Mr. Bob Davison seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Richard Kenney, member of Air Group 1, spoke briefly about the A-STEM education program. He stated AG1 would be participating in the San Diego Festival of Science and Engineering and would have a booth at Petco Park. He also mentioned the annual airshow would be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of June to correspond with the weekend of the Battle of Midway and D-Day.

#### 4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Barry Bardack welcomed Tom Hannawa as the new Gillespie Pilots Association president. He then went on to talk about the Quail Brush Power plant project. He stated he was still analyzing the data he had collected from the Quail Brush engineers and that he would be working with Airport staff. He mentioned the California Pilots Association is on record as going against the power plant project but that he feels it is something that can be accommodated.

Mr. Bardack then mentioned the Palomar RNAV GPS Y on Runway 24. He gave a brief explanation of the challenges faced regarding the GPS approach. Mr. Peter Drinkwater suggested that Mr. Bardack provide Airports with comments regarding the GPS approach and that these comments would be routed to Palomar Airport staff.

Mr. Bardack spoke about the East County Economic Development Council (ECEDC) and asked if any progress or contact had been made with the EC EDC. Mr. Jiri Rutner explained that ECEDC was working on a planning grant to help develop the Aerotropolis concept. Mr. Peter Drinkwater requested they be contacted in order to have them give a presentation at the next GFDC meeting. Mr. Rutner explained that ECEDC was in the process of gathering letters of support from surrounding communities to submit with the grant application. Mr. Drinkwater briefly noted the Aerotropolis concept shows community interest in compatible activities and mentioned that ECEDC would be invited to the next GFDC meeting for a presentation on the vision.

Mr. Bob Davison nominated Ms. Phyllis Trombi as the new Chairwoman. Mr. Jeff Swiney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mr. Barry Bardack nominated Mr. Bob Davison as the new Vice Chairman. Ms. Phyllis Trombi seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### 5. AIRPORT DIRECTOR UPDATE

Mr. Peter Drinkwater gave an update on the Gillespie Field ATCT tower relocation and answered questions for the Council. He stated that Marc Baskel, Airport Manager, was working with FAA to determine which site would be best suited. Mr. Drinkwater explained how the tower relocation was to be FAA funded. The Council expressed hesitation over building the tower on the 70-Acres and using up part of the property potentially adversely distressing development progress of the 70-Acres.

Mr. Cliff Leary requested information on the runway extension feasibility study at McClellan-Palomar Airport. Mr. Drinkwater pointed out that at this time no decisive outcome has yet been reached and consultant contract permits till spring for final definite briefings.

#### 6. REAL PROPERTY UPDATE

Ms. Lee Ann Lardy provided an update on the Cajon Air Center Environmental Assessment. Revisions were made and all comments addressed and sent to the FAA in the month of January. We hope to receive a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) by May. She gave a brief explanation of the revisions to the Cajon Air Center schedule. Ms. Phyllis Trombi asked if it would be possible to shorten the design time for the project. Ms. Lardy explained that with a project of this scope the time allotted on the schedule is appropriate.

#### 7. AIRPORT MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Mr. John Otto gave the Good Neighbor Report: there were 15,951 operations in November which was up approximately 3% from 2011 and there were 14,427 operations in December which was down approximately 8% since 2011. Total operations for 2012 were 184,512. We are showing a 12% decrease in operations compared to the same time period in 2011. There were a total of 13 noise complaints in November and December.

Mr. Otto then went on to provide an update on the concept drawings for the Gillespie Field monument. Mr. Cliff Leary suggested that the concept drawings be taken to the Gillespie Pilots Association for their opinion and input on the drawings.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COUNCIL FOR ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING A FUTURE GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETING

None

9. OLD BUSINESS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

None

11. ADJOURN

Mr. Barry Bardack adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m. The next meeting of the Gillespie Field Development Council will be at 6 p.m., Tuesday, March 19, 2013, in City Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Jiri Rutner, Administrative Analyst