



Gillespie Field Development Council



A Joint Powers Agreement Between the City of El Cajon and County of San Diego
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Chairman Vice Chairwoman

Bob Davison Jeff Swiney Cliff Leary
Councilman Councilman Councilman

MINUTES OF MAY 15, 2012
DRAFT – SUBJECT TO GFDC
APPROVAL JULY 17, 2012

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>
Barry Bardack	Peter Drinkwater
Bob Davison	John Otto
Cliff Leary	Lee Ann Lardy
	Denbigh Dickson
	Jiri Rutner
	Jennifer Kaylor

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

1. **ROLL CALL**

Chairman Bardack called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Phyllis Trombi and Jeff Swiney were absent.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

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

Mr. Robert Germann, citizen, asked about the process of noise complaints and was told that his question would be answered during the Airport Manager’s report. He also asked about Spear Field. He was told that it was a hangar complex named after Mr. Spear who was a prominent man on the airport.

Mr. Rich Kenney, Air Group One/CAF, talked about the upcoming Wings Over Gillespie event on Friday, June 1st through Sunday, June 3rd, 2012. He mentioned that Friday would be an education day focusing on ASTEM (Aviation Science Technology Engineering and Math).

Howard Merritt, CAF; Tom Burton, Plus One Fliers; and Jim Gombold, GPA; all spoke in support of Gillespie Field and the future development at the airport.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Bardack spoke about the value of Gillespie Field and mentioned that the airport has been used during two large County wide fire events in 2003 & 2007 serving as base camp for firefighters. He also explained that the Airport is a vital piece of property housing many emergency and business facilities that operate through Gillespie Field. This is possible due to both the central location of Gillespie Field and the fact that the weather is better than at most other airports.

5. FINANCIAL UPDATE

Ms. Denbigh Dickson gave a presentation on the Proposed Spending Plan for Gillespie Field for next fiscal year. She explained the new County fiscal year will commence on July 1, 2012 and that the Proposed Airports Spending Plan is included in the County of San Diego's Proposed Operational Plan to be adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2012.

6. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL MARSHALL AVENUE INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY

Ms. Lardy showed a Power Point presentation regarding the Request for Proposals for the Marshall Avenue Industrial property along the west side of Marshall Avenue. She talked about the plans for the RFP and said it is expected to be published this month. She also gave an explanation for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA). She invited GFDC to appoint a member to sit on the committee to evaluate proposals. Mr. Bardack responded he would appoint a member after time to consider.

Mr. Leary gave a brief history about Marshall Avenue and asked about the Bob Dennis Memorial Park area. He was told that the Airport Engineer will be coming back to the Council with a presentation for this property.

7. REAL PROPERTY UPDATE

Ms. Lardy reported that the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for redevelopment of the 70 acres is targeted to go to the County Board of Supervisors on June 20, 2012. She explained the PEIR, if certified, will require the project to be phased. All public infrastructure and up to 21.5 acres of private development would be able to proceed under current conditions. The remaining private development of up to 33.5 acres must wait for completion of SR 67/Bradley Ave Interchange Project. Staff received comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) from the FAA on April 24. The EA was revised and sent back on May 10, 2012. Once FAA approves a 30 day public comment period will start. GFDC directed the Chairman to provide comment on the EA on their behalf, as it's expected to be needed before the next meeting.

Ms. Lardy also reported the access road project will require some leaseholds to be amended to provide space for the road. Staff anticipates bringing amendments to the GFDC in July. Also Aircraft Storage Spaces has requested new lease proposal. Staff is working on it and if agreement is reached will present it to GFDC in July.

8. AIRPORT DIRECTOR UPDATE

Mr. Drinkwater introduced two new Airport staff members: Mr. John Otto, Assistant Airport Manager at Gillespie Field and Jiri Rutner, Administrative Analyst Trainee. He gave a brief bio on each of them.

9. AIRPORT MANAGER UPDATE

Mr. Otto gave the Good Neighbor Report: there were 14,703 operations in March which was down 28% from 2011 and there were 15,596 operations in April which was down 14% since 2011. There were a total of 17 noise complaints in March and April.

Mr. Otto reported that Gillespie Field Airport Management is working on compiling a list of frequently asked questions and gave some examples. He also provided an answer to Mr. Germann's earlier question regarding Airport Noise Complaints and explained the process.

Mr. Otto also presented 6 concept drawings for a new Gillespie Field Monument sign to be placed on the corner of Marshall and Cuyamaca. The Council asked for audience participation in voting for their favorites. Votes were tallied and documented.

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

None

11. OLD BUSINESS

None

12. NEW BUSINESS

None

13. ADJOURN

Mr. Bardack adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The next meeting of the Gillespie Field Development Council will be at 6 p.m., Tuesday, July 17, 2012 in City Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon.

By _____
Jennifer Kaylor, Administrative Secretary II