

**PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
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**AMENDED MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, June 16, 2005**

Chairperson Ramona Finnila called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. on May 19, 2005, in the Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson Ramona Finnila  
John Christensen  
Chuck Collins  
Bob Fuselier  
Bob Gates  
Ginna Reyes  
Tom Ricotta  
Howard Williams

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Vice-Chairperson Tim Hutter

Members present did represent a quorum.

**COUNTY STAFF PRESENT**

Pete Drinkwater  
Sherry Miller  
LeeAnn Lardy  
Jeff Hebreo  
Dee Dee Phillips  
Steve Cummings

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

There were no introductions.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the month of May 2005 were approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no public comments.

**CUSTOMS SERVICE USER FEE AT PALOMAR CUSTOMS, LLC** – L. Lardy

Ms. Lardy, Supervising Real Property Agent, made a presentation regarding the proposed User Fee Customs Program at McClellan Palomar Airport (see attached presentation). The fee will depend on the size of the aircraft and range from approximately \$50 for a single or light twin engine to \$550 for a global jet.

The following motion was approved by unanimous vote and will be forwarded to the Board Of Supervisors:

*"Palomar Airport Advisory Committee recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the proposed agreements for establishment of a User Fee Customs Service and Stormwater Pollution Prevention projects at Palomar Airport "*

**FY 05/06 PROPOSED BUDGET REVIEW** – J. Hebreo

Mr. Hebreo presented the FY 2005/06 Proposed Budget for Palomar Airport and provided information on the airports' expenditures and revenue. (Please see attached document highlighted in green)

**FLY FRIENDLY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT**– G. Reyes

Ms. Reyes stated the "Fly Friendly Program" was officially approved by the County of San Diego Airports, however, the poster, logo and budget is still in the works.

A woman named Debra, who resides in Salt Aire subdivision north of the flight path, complained that the program is not working. There is still a large amount of aircraft flying between the hours of 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM. She also related that there was a potential homebuyer who was considering purchasing a home up the street and was notified by her friend at Palomar Airport to reconsider her decision because of the aircraft noise. Debra stated that people in her neighborhood are annoyed, angry, tired and now have enemies. They have been doing what they were told to do and that is to report aircraft flying over their residences. However, this appears to be working against them because the information is being used to advise potential homebuyers that it is unbearable to live at their neighborhood.

Ms. Reyes replied that after checking sales of homes and property around Palomar Airport, there has not been any decrease in value. She also stated that noise is amplified during summertime especially during June when there is a fog bank.

Ms. Gail Carroll stated that as a member of the Fly Friendly Program, she has received a lot of noise complaints by e-mail for the last two weeks. She has personally observed an increase in aircraft operations outside the 250 Northwest as well as during quiet time.

Mr. Drinkwater explained that increased water molecules found in fog, may amplify and displace aircraft noise is making it sound louder.

**PART 150 PRESENTATION BY URS**— S. Miller

Ms. Miller stated that Draft 2 of the Noise Compatibility Report was submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on May 10, 2005 for a sixty-day administrative review. Following FAA review and comment Draft 3 will be submitted to PAAC for review in August 2005.

**AIRPORT COMMUNITY RELATIONS**— S. Cummings

Mr. Cummings reported monthly operations for May were 20,933; bringing the total number year to date to 84,928. Air carrier enplanement was 4,508. Annual air carrier enplanement year to date is 18,889. The local transient traffic breakdown for the month of May was 7,521, itinerant 13,412. IFR traffic 5,145 and VFR traffic 15,788.

Noise concerns for the month of May totaled 176 calls. The number year to date is 458. Ratio of concerns to operations for the month of May was 1 call and 118 operations. The majority of calls during the month of May were south/west from the airport. Of these calls 153 concerned jet operations, 11 concerned propeller operations and 12 concerned helicopter operations. Thirty-nine of the concerns were for operations between 0700-1700. There were 10 concerns for operations between 1700-2200 and there were 127 concerns for operations between 2200-0700.

**STAFF REPORT**— S. Miller

Ms. Miller had five items: 1) Parking is now available at the access road near Civic Helicopter. 2) The soils boring has started for the design on the North Side Ramp project and completion date is estimated in April 2006. 3) There will be adjustments to the West Side Tiedown area to make room for Mercy helicopter. 4) Magellan will be breaking ground soon. 5) Restaurant is expected to break ground by the end of June.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – P. Drinkwater

Mr. Drinkwater advised that McClellan-Palomar Airport is nearing a critical decision point in its evolution as a commercial airport. If Palomar Airport is to continue to operate as a viable Part 139 Commercial Airport in a financially responsible manner, it must examine runway safety area improvements such as e-mass and adding an additional 1,000 feet of runway pavement to serve regional jets. Turbo props are likely to cease serving this commercial market in approximately 5 years. Many critical projects have started to move forward within the last 2 years, however, now comes a critical defining moment in McClellan-Palomar Airport's continuing evolution. Clear and well-researched decisions are going to be needed from a thoughtful and technically/politically astute committee.

We must continue to define the Airports future directions to meet community needs and changes in aviation technology.

**SET AGENDA FOR MEETING ON July 21, 2005**

**MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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Ramona Finnila, Chairperson