

LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (LAX)
AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAC)
Meeting Minutes -- Thursday, September 14, 2023
LAX Airport Police Facility, 9160 S. Loyola Blvd., Community Room
Los Angeles, CA 90045

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Chair John Wahlert.

1. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Roll call was taken. Five Committee Members were present: John Wahlert, Chair (Culver City); Luciano Nocera, Vice-Chair (Culver City); Guido Fernandez (Hawthorne); Sergio Paz (Lennox); and Jim Withrow (Inglewood). Absent: Henry Brown (Inglewood) Unexcused; Dana Cope (Westchester/Playa del Rey) Unexcused; William Cumming (Marina Del Rey) Excused; Lance Giroux (El Segundo) Unexcused; Carl Jacobson (El Segundo) Unexcused; and Kevin Klowden (Culver City) Excused. Per the LAXAAC Bylaws, seven members representing the majority of the communities shall constitute a quorum. Three guests attended.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- December 8, 2022, January 12, 2023, April 13, 2023, June 8, 2023, July 13, 2023 and August 10, 2023.

No Motion could be made or vote taken because there was no quorum present.

4. OFFICER'S REPORT – JOHN WAHLERT, CHAIR

See below Item #8.

5. LAWA REPORT – NICOLE CARCEL, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS
Ms. Carcel [424-646-8102, NCarcel@LAWA.org] gave the following report:

* Last month LAWA celebrated National Night Out at both LAX and Van Nuys Airport. The LAWA Community Relations team along with our Airport Police Division joined Southwest Airlines and our FBI partners in Terminal 1 at LAX to kick off the day. Passengers learned more about the nationwide event. In the evening our Community Relations team attended the LAPD West Valley gathering.

* Last month LAWA also celebrated the opening of the LAX Residential Sound Insulation (RSI) Showroom. The Westchester showroom is part of the LAX RSI Program which was developed to address the impacts of aircraft noise for eligible homes near LAX. The LAX RSI Program provides new sound insulated windows and doors for untreated homes in the cities of El Segundo and Los Angeles within the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approved Part 150 Noise Exposure Map from 2020 (this includes parts of Westchester and Playa Del Rey). This program was made possible by grant funding from the FAA, with additional funding from LAWA,

and is at no cost to the homeowner. The showroom serves to assist eligible homeowners who can ask questions, gain information, and see samples of the actual windows and doors that are used in the program. Over the next several years, LAWA plans to work with homeowners to provide sound insulation to approximately 2,400 dwellings in El Segundo and Los Angeles. To find out more about the program and to see if your home is eligible visit the LAX RSI program website.

<https://www.lawa.org/lawa-environment/noise-management/sound-insulation-grant-program/rsi-program>

LAWA Official Site | LAX Residential Sound Insulation Program; www.lawa.org.

[Note: also see <https://www.lawa.org/news-releases/2023/news-release-030>. The showroom is at 9100 South Sepulveda Blvd., Suite 109, Los Angeles and will be open Mondays and Saturdays by appointment. Appointments: 424-646-7444; laxrsi@lawa.org].

* On August 29th LAWA celebrated the opening of the Terminal 3/Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) connector, this is the final major phase of the Delta Sky Way project. The new enclosed passageway creates a direct post-security connection between the upper floors of Terminal 3 and TBIT. The connector eliminates the need for busing between Terminals 2, 3 and TBIT, which greatly enhances travelers' satisfaction. This is an incredible moment in our transformation's progress, as ticketed passengers and airport employees are able to journey from Terminal 1 to Terminal 8, post-security inside the airport.

* LAWA also welcomed home the El Segundo Little League team after their incredible championship win in the Little League World Series. The plane arrived to a water cannon salute by LAFD while they were on board a United Airlines flight. Once at the gate, LAWA team members, United Airlines team members and passengers greeted them. We honored the team by lighting our iconic LAX pylons to celebrate this incredible achievement.

* 98th Street reopened on Monday, August 28th. The extended closure was in place to support roadway work for the Automated People Mover. We thank our community partners who utilize 98th Street for their patience throughout the closure.

* There is continued outreach regarding the initiative with the Kimmelman Family Foundation, Lulu's Place. A Community Open House will take place on Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at the LAX Airport Police Facility in the Community Multi-Purpose Room. Community members had the opportunity to meet the project team and ask questions. [Note: Ms. Carcel added that Lulu's Place (<https://LulusPlace.org>) is a free community resource with a recreational facility. Everyone is welcome, not only Westchester residents.]

* Later this month LAWA will participate at the Westchester Arts and Music Block Party (WAM). The free family-friendly annual community event will take place on Saturday, September 23rd from 12pm to 7pm. Stop by and say hi to the Community Relations team.

6. LAWA REPORT – JESSICA MERRITT, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR LAX DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

- LAX's Transformation in 2023 and Beyond.

Ms. Merritt [424-646-8130; JMerritt@LAWA.org] introduced herself, showed slides and presented regarding the capital improvement plan. She described the LAMP (Landside Access Modernization Program) and the APM (Automated People Mover) which is scheduled to open in 2024 and about which she showed a short video. The 2 ¼-mile APM will have six stations, for which names are being considered. Three stations will be outside the Central Terminal Area and three inside. Train Capacity will be 200 passengers per train with luggage (with nine 4-car trains) taking 10 minutes end-to-end every two minutes during peak hours, 24/7, 365 days per year. See FlyLAX.com.

Vehicle parking will still be available. The ConRAC Rent-A-Car facility will be largest rental car facility in the world. She described planned Terminal Nine and Concourse Zero improvements, and for MSC (Midfield Satellite Concourse) South, which is scheduled to open in 2025. There'll be improved analog and digital signage.

Terminal Nine will be 40% larger than MSC North with up to 12 widebody or 17 narrowbody gates, two levels of parking and new roads, and a new, dedicated APM station. Concourse Zero will be an eastern extension of Terminal One with nine narrowbody (four widebody) gates, creating 22 total gates across C0 and T1, and a new vertical core connecting to the APM. MSC South will be 1.5 miles away and have eight narrowbody gates. The Landscaping Improvement Program will create new public greenspaces and modernize current landscaping.

7. LAXAAC SUBCOMMITTEE PANEL REPORTS

- Discussion and Possible Action

There were no reports.

8. MEMBERSHIP

- 2023 Recruitment Plan Update.

Mr. Paz distributed and will email copies of a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis to the Committee and reviewed possible actions to take. Ms. Carcel reminded the Committee not to initiate or participate in group email discussions of Committee business. Mr. Wahlert reported that he "reached out to all of the cities"; he described recruitment outreach work.

- Current Board Member Participation.

Mr. Wahlert distributed copies of a letter he sent to Ms. Cope (Westchester/Playa del Rey) and Mr. Jacobson (El Segundo) regarding the need for them to attend these in-person meetings or to resign so that the Committee can appoint new Members of their communities to sit on the LAXAAC. Mr. Wahlert also emailed the BOAC Chair requesting engagement with the Committee and recruiting help. He added that Ms. Carcel's "name is in all [recruitment-related] correspondence." Ms. Carcel reported that Bill Cumming was unable to attend this Meeting because emergency vehicles blocked his street.

- Discussion and Possible Action.

Mr. Paz reported that there're two possible member candidates.

9. LAXAAC BYLAWS REVISION

- Discussion and Possible Action

No action or vote was taken.

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Mr. Wahlert, seconded by Mr. Withrow. The Motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

The Meeting was **adjourned** at 8:07 p.m.