# LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (LAX) AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAC)

Meeting Minutes -- Thursday, September 12, 2024 at LAX BOAC Board Room, Clifton A. Moore Administration Building 1 World Way, Los Angeles, CA 90045 *Minutes Approved December 12, 2024* 

# CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Facilitator and Chair Luciano Nocera at 7:09 p.m.

## 1. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Roll call was taken by Nicole Carcel. Ten of the15 Committee Members were present: Adam Moore (Culver City); William Cumming (Marina Del Rey); Angie Reyes English (Hawthorne); Jim Evans (Westchester/Playa Del Rey); Guido Fernandez (Hawthorne); Jonathan Loewenberg (Westchester/Playa Del Rey); David Mannix (Westchester/Playa Del Rey); Luciano Nocera, Chair (Culver City); Sergio Paz (Lennox), Jim Withrow (Inglewood). The following Committee Members were absent: Lance Giroux (El Segundo) (unexcused); Carl Jacobson (El Segundo) (unexcused); Henry Brown (Inglewood) (unexcused); Kevin Klowden (Culver City) (excused); and Katrina Manning (Hawthorne) (unexcused). Per the LAX AAC Bylaws, seven Members representing the majority of the communities shall constitute a quorum, therefore, a quorum was present. Approximately 1 guest attended Trey Grogan, CD11 LAX Liaison.

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

August 29, 2024 (Special Meeting)

Approval of the Minutes was Tabled; it will be added to the October 2024 Agenda. No Motion was made or vote taken.

## 4. OFFICER'S REPORT - LUCIANO NOCERA, CHAIR

Update on membership outreach. Chair Nocera requested an updated membership roster. Ms. Carcel mentioned that the updated membership roster was circulated to the committee prior to the meeting. Mr. Paz added the note that the Lennox Coordinating Council has received notification to assist with the appointment of the two Lennox vacancies. Chair Alfonso Delgado of the Lennox Coordinating Council is working to identify community volunteers.

 <u>LAWA REPORT</u> – NICOLE CARCEL, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS Nicole Carcel, LAWA Director of Community Relations, [424-646-8102, NCarcel@LAWA.org], reported as follows: "HireLAX Graduates 21st Program Cohort — On August 2, LAWA celebrated the graduation of the HireLAX Apprenticeship Readiness Program's 21st cohort at Los Angeles Southwest College. CEO John Ackerman attended the ceremony and addressed the graduating class of 20 students. Since its inception in 2017, over 450 students have completed the program, with 300 of them placed in union construction and trade careers, earning an average hourly rate of \$46.53. To learn more about HireLAX, click here.

LAWA Celebrates National Night Out — On August 6, the Community Relations team participated in three National Night Out events throughout the region. The first event was co-hosted with Southwest Airlines in Terminal 1 at LAX, and included representatives of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Transportation Security Administration, and Los Angeles Airport Police cadets. The Pets Unstressing Passengers (PUPs) airport therapy dogs were also on hand to greet guests. The Community Relations team also attended LAPD's Pacific Division event in Marina del Rey and the West Valley Division event in Reseda.

**Olympic Flag Lands at LAX** — On August 12, several LAWA divisions assisted Delta Airlines and the LA28 organization in welcoming Mayor Karen Bass back to Los Angeles with the Olympic flag. The flight from Paris included athletes who competed at the Olympics, LA28 leaders, and Board of Airport Commissioner Courtney La Bau. Passengers, crew and guests gathered to take photos on the ramp before participating in a reception at the Delta hangar. The event marked the transition of the planning and preparation to Los Angeles, who will host the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Several key LAWA team members were in Paris in the past few weeks to observe airport operations.

LAWA Recognizes 2023 Fly Quieter Program Winners — On August 15, LAWA recognized nine airlines operating at LAX as part of the LAX Fly Quieter Program. The program recognizes efforts to reduce aircraft noise through voluntary operational and technical measures, as well as community engagement. Airlines were recognized within three categories based on the number of average daily operations conducted at LAX. The winners under Category 1, with 100 or more average daily operations, included United Airlines (Gold), American Airlines (Silver) and Southwest Airlines (Bronze). In Category 2, with 5-99 average daily operations, the winners were Volaris (Gold), Avianca (Silver) and Spirit Airlines (Bronze). In Category 3, with four or fewer average daily operations, the winners were Breeze Airways (Gold) Fiji Airways (Silver) and Lynx Air (Bronze). Click here to learn more about the LAX Fly Quieter Program.

**LAX Receives Final Cars for Automated People Mover Train** — The final 4 Automated People Mover (APM) train cars recently arrived at LAX, bringing the total number on site to 44. The first cars arrived in summer 2022 and the remaining cars have since been steadily making the cross-country journey from the manufacturer in Pittsburgh, PA. The new cars will join the rest of the fleet in testing on the APM's elevated guideway, as the project continues progress toward completion in December 2025. The APM train is expected to begin 24/7 service for LAX guests and employees in January 2026, with trains arriving at stations every 2 minutes during peak hours (9 a.m. to 11 p.m.).

### SAVE THE DATE – Thursday, September 19, 2024

Our Board of Airport Commissioners will host a special meeting in the community. The meeting will be held in the Westchester Municipal Building Community Room at 6:00 p.m. Come learn about the exciting transformation taking place at LAX.

**2024 Congress of Neighborhoods** – Saturday, September 28, 2024 LAWA Community Relations along with our Government Affairs and Sustainability teams will be onsite. LAWA will host an information booth along with a breakout session."

### 6. BYLAWS REVIEW

Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Cumming discussed current term limits of the Chair and Vice-Chair. The Committee discussed the historical roles of the established Subcommittees. Vice-Chair Angie Reyes English (Hawthorne) recommended creating a Committee mission statement. Mr. Evans asked if a mission statement is needed, since the Committee has an established purpose outlined in the bylaws.

#### 7. LAX AAC SUBCOMMITTEE PANEL REPORTS (Noise, Ground Transportation,

Environmental, and Safety)

- Discussion and Possible Action
- CURRENT COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
- Noise: Guido Fernandez, Luciano Nocera
- Ground Transportation: Sergio Paz, Kevin Klowden, Vacancy
  - Interested Adam Moore and David Mannix
- Environmental: Luciano Nocera
  - Interested Jonathan Loewenberg and Angie Reyes-English
- Safety: Sergio Paz, Kevin Klowden, Guido Fernandez
  - Interested Angie Reyes-English
- Appointment of LAXAAC members to Subcommittee assignments
  - Discussion and Possible Action

The Committee wanted to receive Sergio Paz' report and a current Subcommittee membership update.

#### 8. MEMBERSHIP

Discussion and Possible Action

New members from CD11 (Westchester/Playa del Rey) were welcomed. Mr. Nocera will continue working with the appointing communities to fill vacancies representing El Segundo, Marina Del Rey, Lennox and Inglewood.

#### 9. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Action

It was requested that the Development Group present on the current state of development projects (APM, CONRAC, and MSC segments), which the Committee discussed.

#### 10. MOTION TO ADJOURN

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Mr. Cumming, seconded by Mr. Withrow. The Motion was unanimously approved with all 10 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

The Meeting **adjourned** at 8:52 p.m.