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**MEETING MINUTES
AIRPORT SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ASAC)
4th Quarter 2022 Meeting
Thursday, December 15, 2022 • 3:30 pm**

The Committee met at the Reno-Tahoe International Airport, 2001 E. Plumb Lane, Reno Admin Offices, Main Terminal Building, Second floor as well as via Zoom. Lissa Butterfield called the meeting to order at 3:42 pm.

1. ROLL CALL

Roll was called. Daren Griffin, President/CEO, was absent. Lissa Butterfield led the meeting. Committee members present were Richard Brong, SMSgt Paula Macomber, Patrick Fisher, Thomas Hill, Larry Wilson, Rob Pierce, Vincent Griffith and Chris Tolley.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A public comment was received by Stan White which was read into the record and is attached at the end of these minutes.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee approved the minutes from the 3rd Quarter meeting of September 15, 2022, with no changes.

4. COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES

Staff is nominating Suzanne Groneman, City of Reno Sustainability Program Manager, to fill a vacant Community Member seat and David McNally, FedEx Pilot and NVANG Director of Operations, to fill a vacant Commercial Air Carrier seat. If there are no Committee objections, their formal nominations will be on the March 16 agenda for vote and possible approval by the Committee. No comments or objections.

5. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1 Quarterly Noise Reports, Third Quarter 2022 (July-September)

Rick Miller, Noise Analyst, presented this item to the Committee. He provided information on the passenger schedule activity, operations activity and provided a noise complaint analysis.

There being no questions from the Committee, this item was not discussed further.

5.2 FAA Flight Procedure Changes for Reno-Tahoe International Airport

Joseph Bert presented this item to the Committee.

Thomas Hill raised a concern that based on the presentation, it looks like the procedural changes will likely not be noticeable or generate more noise. Mr. Joseph explained there are three new procedures and they might be noticed.

There being no further questions from the Committee, this item was not discussed further.

5.3 Update on the Non-Aeronautical Industrial Development Project at Reno-Stead Airport (Dermody)

Aurora Ritter, Airport Economic Development Manager, presented this item to the Committee. There being no questions from the Committee, this item was not discussed further.

5.4 Landscaping Plan for the Non-Aeronautical Industrial Development Project South of Reno-Tahoe International Airport (Tolles)

Aurora Ritter, Airport Economic Development Manager, gave an update on the Non-Aeronautical Industrial Development project.

Patrick Fisher requested clarification on total number of trees to be added. Mrs. Ritter responded that 458 trees are being added. Mr. Fisher then thanked her for answer and added that that is a significant number of new trees.

Mr. Fisher asked if this is a land lease. Ms. Aurora answered yes, it is a long-term land lease.

There being no further questions from the Committee, this item was not discussed further.

5.5 Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF)

Todd Welty, Environmental Program Manager, Richard Brong and Brad Kost presented this item to the Committee.

Mr. Hill made a comment that it sounds like unleaded fuel is available at a slightly higher cost and the best way to increase usage is for the public to advocate for more sustainable fuel and be foot soldiers for progress.

There being no further comments or questions from the Committee, this item was not discussed further.

6. GENERAL COMMITTEE COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 6.1. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in Firefighting Foam (March 2023)
- 6.2. Lithium Battery Recycling, Redwood Materials (March 2023)
- 6.3. New Ground Transportation Center / Rental Car Facility Development Sustainable Design (TBD)

Staff added a future presentation regarding SAF in the Reno area in collaboration with Fulcrum BioEnergy. Committee had no additional comments or requests.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

8. UPCOMING ASAC MEETING DATES

03/16/2023	3:30 PM
06/15/2023	3:30 PM
09/21/2023	3:30 PM
12/21/2023	3:30 PM

There was no discussion on this item.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further questions or business to discuss, Lissa Butterfield adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.

From: [Stan White](#)
To: [Kolacek, Lori](#)
Subject: Public comment for 12/15/2022 ASAC 4th Quarter 2022 Meeting
Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2022 5:03:59 PM

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Since my last series of communications with the committee in September, 2022, there has been a noticeable reduction in low and constant small plane flights over the Donner Springs area bordering the east side of RNO. This relief from the last couple of years of near continuous daily noise and harassment is most welcome. Something appears to have changed and I would like to know what is going on. Did the source of the vast majority of these overflights (flight schools based out of RNO) have a change of heart and decide on their own to cease their obnoxious behavior? Did the FAA and RTAA finally decide to modify flight procedures for those businesses so as to provide relief to the neighboring public? Or something else?

Perhaps this issue will be addressed at the meeting of 12/15/2022 with agenda item number 5.2 - FAA Flight Procedure Changes for Reno-Tahoe International Airport. If that agenda item does not answer my question, I still request that the committee provide answers.

Thank you, Stan White