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**AIRPORT NOISE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ANAC)
Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2012**

On July 18th, 2012, the Airport Noise Advisory Committee (Committee) met at the Commuter Building, 3225 N. Harbor Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101. The facilitator, Mark Butler, Ph.D., commenced the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

Present: John Bennett, County of San Diego; Captain (Ret.) Jack Bewley, Retired Airline Pilot; Rob Cook, FAA Representative; Hirsch Gottschalk, Uptown Planners; Jane Gawronski, PhD., Ocean Beach Planning Board; Congresswoman Susan Davis (ex-officio) Daniel Hazard; Carl Huenefeld, MCRD; Michael Patton, City Council District 2 (ex-officio); Joe Scaglione, North Bay; Community Planning Board; Deborah Watkins, Mission Beach Precise Planning Board (ex-officio); Paul Webb, Peninsula Community Planning Board; Mark Butler, Facilitator; and Airport Authority Staff: Steve Cummings.

Absent: Steven Holt, Airline Representative (ex-officio); Tait Galloway, City of San Diego (Excused); Kirk Hanson (Community member); Jack Zimmerman (Acoustician); County Supervisor Greg Cox (ex-officio) (Vacant); Little Italy Association (Vacant); David Swarens, Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee (Excused)

Dr. Butler invited each ANAC participant to introduce him/herself. Because there was no quorum present, Dr. Butler tabled approval of the April 18, 2012 meeting minutes.

Mr. Frazee provided an update on Airport Authority issues. First, he informed the committee of a recent change in the Airport Authority organization which occurred due to the Vice President of Marketing's retirement. The Airport Noise Mitigation Department is now absorbed by the Development Division and, with this change, the residential sound insulation program - Quieter Home Program (QHP) is transferred to Mr. Frazee's direction.

Second update is regarding airport operations - the monthly air traffic report shows the following activity - Passengers – up 2.9% from 2011 but still well below the 2007 heights; Operations – up 1.2% from 2011; for May 2011 – arrivals and departures indicate 450 operations per day; in 2007 we had 660 operations per day. The decrease is caused primarily by recent air carrier mergers (Delta/Northwest and United/Continental). This action decreases the number of airplanes flying in and out of SDIA due to efficiencies of scale, lack of competition, and use of larger aircraft flying less often. Mr. Frazee also informed the committee that some of the air carriers, like Delta airlines, is upgraded commuter aircraft,

increasing overall seat capacity to be able to move more travelers with less frequency of operation. Available air carrier seats for July are down 4.8%; August, down 2.8%; and September, down a fraction. Fewer aircraft operations are a double-edged sword, Mr. Frazee continued. Although fewer operations equate directly to less aircraft noise in the community, it also means less choice and flexibility for the traveler and less revenue for the airport. He mentioned that aircraft continue to be quieter and have better climb performance as new equipment is introduced. As a final note, he also mentioned that Japan Airlines (JAL) will be starting their nonstop flight to Narita (Tokyo) on December 2nd, 2012 and flights will be four times a week.

Additionally, Mr. Frazee talked about new infrastructure in-fill plans, a project called Airport Master Plan North Side Development Plan. The first technical advisory committee met on July 10th, and the plan has an in-place framework for the airport that speaks to the future and options for the airport's 1960's-era Terminal 1 and how the Teledyne Ryan property on the airport's south side may be built-out. The North Side Development is a four year process; two years in planning and another two years in federally-mandated environmental analysis. The goal is looking to developing a funding source for terminal replacement and how best to use the south side land as a revenue generating opportunity for the airport. In regards to airport operations and passengers, a forecast of the passenger and operations trends was last conducted in 2008; a new demand forecast will be conducted shortly by Leigh-Fisher and Associates as a part of the planning phase. Mr. Frazee mentioned that completion of a new materials distribution facility on the north side of the airport will move a significant amount of airport-bound heavy truck traffic off Harbor Drive. Other upcoming projects include a consolidated rental car center on the north side, further decreasing airport-related traffic on Harbor Boulevard.

The next presentation dealt with actions of the Curfew Violation Review Panel (CVRP) regarding operations in violation of the Authority's time-of-day noise curfew. Two CVRP meetings were held since the last ANAC meeting. During the first, held June 6, 2012. The Panel assessed penalties against three of nine operations. Those not penalized included five due to maintenance issues outside the operator's control discovered shortly before or during the taxi phase, and one due to weather and ATC delay. The remaining three were assessed a penalty. On August 3, 2012, six operations were evaluated by the Panel, three were assessed a penalty and three were assessed no penalty due to maintenance. Mr. Frazee mentioned that CVRP is conducted on the first Wednesday on a bi-monthly basis starting in February. He also explained that at CVRP the Panel looks to discover the initial cause of curfew violation, and, if that cause is outside the control of the operator, a determination is often made to assess no penalty.

A quorum now present, Dr. Butler requested a motion to approve the April 18 meeting minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved without discussion.

Ms. Sjohnna Knack, Manager of the Quieter Home Program (QHP) next gave an update on the Program. Ms. Knack informed the committee that QHP is celebrating the completion of their 2,000 home the following week and invited all members to the event. The location of the

event will be held at the home where 2,000th home was completed, a condominium complex (Pt. Loma Tennis Club) in Pt. Loma. The celebration will begin at 5:00 p.m. with a short program featuring remarks from Ms. Thella Bowens, the Authority President /CEO, Mr. Robert Gleason, Authority Board Chairman, Congresswoman Susan Davis, and Mr. Mark McClardy from the Federal Aviation Administration. A barbecue dinner will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m. As of to date, 2,004 homes have been completed, broken down as follow – 579 historic homes and 1,725 non-historic homes; she reminded members that a home is either a single-family home or a unit within a multi-family parcel; 999 on the east end; 1,005 on the west; single-family multi family breakdown, 1,482 single-family and 522 multi-family. There are 908 homes on the waiting list, and the average ownership dates from 1996. A recent survey of completed homeowners resulted in 95.6% expressing overall satisfaction with the program; 93.1% agree that the terms, features and limitations programs are explained sufficiently. Another question related to how effective remediation efforts were in reducing perceived noise levels inside the home - as for the question regarding the sound insulation and efforts are effective in reducing the noise inside the home, 59.3% responded very effective; 38.6% effective; and only 2% responded not effective; and, lastly, a question on whether participating in the Quieter Home Program was a good idea, response was 92.2% a good idea; less than 5% responded too soon to tell, not a good idea or no opinion. This concluded Ms. Knack's update.

Mr. Garret Hollarn gave an update on the community's internet-based flight tracker. The system is now live and in near-real time (delayed 22 minutes for security) and has several added features from the last system, including local weather information. Community response to the system has been positive and it was noted that the installation of the web flight tracker is a primary reason overall noise complaints have decreased.

Mr. Hollarn presented updated Missed Approach statistics. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:

http://www.san.org/documents/airport_noise/anac/12July_Presentation_Items.pdf

Mr. Hollarn presented an update of year-to-date Noise Complaints. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:

http://www.san.org/documents/airport_noise/anac/12July_Presentation_Items.pdf

Prior to the presentation, Mr. Hollarn commented that noise complaints are trending below 2011 which, incidentally, produced the fewest community complaints since we began keeping records; approximately 175 for a year is an all time record low, and he emphasized that since web flight tracker was in place in 2006, every year since its installation noise complaints have decreased, most likely due to residents using the software to discover for themselves the identification, position and altitude of an aircraft overflights instead of calling the Noise Office. One member asked about an air carrier departure each night time around 10:30 – 11:00 p.m., Mr. Hollarn informed the member that it is most likely a US Department of Justice (DOJ) flight that departs around that time, Monday – Friday.

Mr. Cummings presented updated Early Turns operations. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:

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Mr. Cummings next presented Contra-Flow operations. See the PowerPoint presentation at the following link:

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There was no public comment.

Under new business – It was announced that the next ANAC meeting, October 17, be held at the Quieter Home Program offices. Directions and information will be sent out prior to the meeting and staff suggested that members invite people from their respective community to attend this meeting and become acquainted with QHP.

Dr. Butler then inquired whether the participants have any input or ideas that would make the meetings more responsive to their needs. For instance, committee members are invited to comment on the flow of agenda items, formatting and presentation of statistics and whether the reports are still effectively telling the story and meeting the community's needs. It was explained that prior ANAC members directed which statistics they felt were important and meaningful. Members are invited to suggest different presentations to meet their needs. Dr. Butler asked the committee members to give it some thought and, since changes are usually directed at the year's first meeting, further discussion is invited at the October meeting.

Hearing no more questions, Dr. Butler adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. at the QHP offices.



Dan Frazee
Director, Airport Noise Mitigation

NOTE: 1) Please refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) on the Airport Noise Office website at www.san.org/airportnoise/info_noise_main.asp for the answers to commonly asked aircraft noise-oriented questions at SDIA.