

**CITY OF SAN DIEGO**  
**AIRPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**Meeting of February 8, 2022**

**Montgomery-Gibbs Executive Airport,**  
**3750 John J. Montgomery Drive, San Diego, CA 92123**  
 Via teleconference

**1. CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
 Chair Reid called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**  
 A quorum was present.

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b>
Buzz Gibbs Kearny Mesa Community	J.H. Aldrich Montgomery Field Aviation Lessee Community
David Gordon Special Expertise	
Ron Lee Brown Field Aviation User Group	
Gary List Brown Field Aviation User Group	
Rich Martindell Special Expertise	
Vice-Chair Chuck McGill Montgomery Gibbs Aviation User Group	
Mike Ogilvie Tierrasanta Community Council	
Chair Tom Reid Clairemont Community	
Tom Ricotta Brown Field Aviation Lessee	
Joel Ryan FAA Air Traffic Control Tower	
Lisa Golden Otay Mesa Community	

\*Mr. Ryan is the non-voting member representing the FAA Control Tower at Montgomery - Gibbs Executive Airport

**STAFF PRESENT:**  
 Jorge Rubio, Charlie Broadbent, Nicole Chalfant, Enza Charles, Michele King, Millie Moore, David Reed, Andy Schwartz, Debbie Shauger.

### **3. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Committee received a written public comment form Mr. Bob Turner who stated that he is advocating the closure of Runway 5-23 and had been advocating for closure since 2008. He provided prior essays that were shared with the AAC Committee members.

The Committee then heard public comment from Ms. Sandra Stahl who spoke about free training Garmin is offering to pilots. Ms. Stahl also expressed concerns around the accuracy of comments committee members made about the usage and safety of UL 94.

Chair Reid, briefly addressed Ms. Stahl's comment by thanking her for her comment and also mentioning that the AAC also wants an unleaded fuel solution at Montgomery – Gibbs Executive Airport being implemented in a safe manner.

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Reid requested any comments, changes, or deletions to the meeting notes from the January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Ms. Golden request that minutes show she was arrived late but was in attendance. Mr. Martindell made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.

Vice Chair McGill seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

### **5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **6. NEW BUSINESS**

- Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Airport Advisory Committee.
- Mr. McGill nominated Tom Reid was nominated as Chair. Mr. Martindell seconded the motion. All voted in favor, the motion passed unanimously
- Chair Reid nominated Chuck McGill as Vice-Chair. Mr. Martindale seconded the motion. All voted in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

### **7. Staff Reports**

#### Deputy Director Report – Mr. Rubio

- Mr. Rubio stated that the Airport Biologist position is being re-opened after not being able to find a candidate and hopes to have selected a candidate by the end of March.
- Mr. Rubio provided clarification on an incident at another airport where an aircraft was almost fueled with UL94 when that aircraft was not certificated for its use, this was prevented from occurring by airport operations staff. This incident occurred at the Watsonville Municipal Airport. Mr. Rubio reiterated that miss fueling did not occur.
- Mr. Rubio informed the Committee about a press release from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that was released on January 12, 2022 titled EPA to Evaluate Whether Lead Emissions from Piston-Engine Aircraft Endanger Human Health and Welfare. The EPA administrator said the agency has been investigating the air quality impact of lead emissions from aircraft near airports for years and that they are now going to apply that information whether this pollution endangers human health and welfare. They would call this the endangerment find with a draft report in 2022 and final in 2023.
- Related the EPA's announcement the FAA has recently mentioned that they expect a related announcement to be coming out of Washington DC. It is unclear at this time how detailed or what actions they could recommend.

- Airport staff is coordinating a meeting with the FAA's Federal Aviation Administration Safety Team (FAAST) to hold webinar to invite our local pilot community to better understand how UL94 works and its safety.
- Airport Management is negotiating a lease back agreement with a tenant for a space where the fuel tank for unleaded fuel would go. Airport Management is also exploring other efforts including the potential installation of a temporary tank for unleaded fuel.

Brown Field Municipal Airport (SDM) – Mr. Schwartz, SDM Airport Manager

- SDM had 8,812 flight operations in January up 1% for this month last year. Total count for the year is 58,749 operations down 12% total count for the same time last year.
- Hangar inspections have begun and hope to conclude by Thursday.
- SDM Tower hours will be reduced to 0900-1700 in effect until Friday-amended tower schedule. Pilot please check NOTAM's and the Parachute drop zone has been closed until further notice.

Montgomery Gibbs Executive Airport (MYF) – Mr. Broadbent, MYF Airport Manager

- MYF had over 26,000 flight operations in January.
- Gate 9 was hit by a vehicle. Automated Gate Services, Inc. (AGS) is providing a quote for the repairs.
- Utility Worker II Jaimie Ocampo accepted a job with the City of Chula Vista his last day was February 4, 2022.
- Airport is looking fill three vacant positions: Airport Operations Assistant, Utility Worker II, and Grounds Maintenance Worker II.
- Annual Hangar inspections were completed.

Real Estate – Ms. Charles, Program Manager

- Executive Airpark is working with the Environmental Services Department and San Diego International Airport Authority on the potential relocation of the United Airlines Hangar Terminal to MYF.
- The City Transportation Department has shown interest in Leasing space at 8575 Gibbs Drive building, possibly the entire second floor. They hope to move-in in March and are starting with three suites at roughly 5,500 square feet, for annual rent of \$104,000 approximately (\$8,690/mo)
- Engineering and Capital Projects (E&CP) will be leasing one additional suite at 8525 Gibbs Drive, suite 200- 2,735 square feet for an additional annual rent of \$56,779 (\$4,700/mo). A Memorandum of Understanding is being finalized.
- Staff is working with E&CP on the 8690 Aero Drive Retail Center Roof Replacement Project.
- Staff is drafting Request for Quotes for the refurbishment of the exterior of the Retail Center that will include painting, new signs, and lighting.
- Appraisal for the San Diego Community College (SDCCD) property for a lease renewal been completed. New lease terms are being negotiated with SDCCD for 10 years, with 5-year option.
- Staff is finalizing a Right of Entry Agreement (ROE) for the Metropolitan Airpark Development to access areas not covered by the 59 lease/ROE Agreements for

construction activities.

- Currently the City has three hangars and two tiedowns available currently, Debbie Shauger is contacting people on the wait list.

Chair Reid inquired about an issue with the City's automated billing system as to why it is placing tenant into delinquency when they are not delinquent in payment. Ms. Charles responded that this is due to error, as Airports and the Treasury are working off of two different systems and updates are not being properly made to both systems. Ms. Charles has setup a meeting with the Treasury in an attempt to address this issue.

Chairman Reid asked about setting up automatic payments online to avoid the issue.

Ms. Charles informed Chairman Reid that this can be done via your bank.

Mr. Rubio added that he is bring this to the attention of City leadership and will be meeting with them to address the issue and better serve our tenants and that Chairman Reid's concerns around the subject are appreciated.

Mr. Gordon added that his bank is able to setup electronic payment directly to the City and that Chairman Reid just may need to inquire further with his bank in order to set this up for him.

#### **8. AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER REPORT**

Mr. Ryan stated that staff have recovered and returned from COVID isolation, but staff are still feeling the impact of the disruption.

Chair Reid stated his appreciation for all the hard work that the staff in the Air Traffic Control Tower do day to day and dealing with the various types of traffic the airport sees. .

#### **9. COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

None.

#### **10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Next meeting will be March 8, 2022.

Respectfully,  
David Reed