



City of Arts & Innovation

AIRPORT COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2024, 3 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Gibbs, Co-Chair Randleman, Bloch, Gamblin, Lightfeldt and Vazquez.

ABSENT: Commissioners Alderette, Greene.

STAFF PRESENT: Daniel Prather, Michael Dean.

The Airport Commission convened the meeting at 3:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no one wishing to address the Commission.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MINUTES

ABSENCES

A motion was made by Commissioner Gamblin and second by Commissioner Vazquez to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The Commission unanimously approved items 2 & 3 with no discussion.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

September 2024 Airport Manager's Operations and Activity Report-Dr. Daniel Prather/Airport Manager

Airport Manager Daniel Prather started his report by updating the Commission on airport operations and fiscal year end budget numbers. Prather discussed FAA/FSDO building



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Prather continued his report by discussion his time Experimental Aircraft Association AirVenture Event in Oshkosh, Wisconsin in July.

Prather concluded his report with an update of the City Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 17th to award the bid for the terminal restroom renovation agreement and the FAA Grant Award of nearly \$800,000 for the Taxiway "A" Rehab Project.

Commissioner Randleman asked if the Air Traffic Control Tower has resorted to taking 45 minutes lunches shutting down the tower during these breaks. Prather confirmed that the tower is still having staffing issues but assured that NOTAMS are filed during times of tower closures.

Commissioner Gamblin asked if the FAA Grant would break down to roughly \$720,000 from FAA, \$40,000 from the State and \$40,000 from Airport funding. Prather confirmed that those numbers are the numbers accounted for.

Commissioner Vazquez asked about any plans for an Airshow. Prather alluded to the fact that it takes a small army to coordinate an Airshow. Several attempts have been made by the city to find an Airshow promoted to no avail. Prather also said that many factors are needed to have an Airshow including financial aspects, but an Airshow is not currently being discussed.

Commissioner Gibbs discussed attending a conference in Jackson Hole, Wyoming and listening to Carey Lohrenz, first female F-14 Tomcat fighter pilot discussing aviation knowledge in everyday life.

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Commission received and ordered the file of the June Airport Manager's Operations and Activity Report.

COMMUNICATIONS

UPDATES OF CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, AND REGIONAL MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COMMISSIONERS

None currently



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ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

None currently

Airport Operations Coordinator Michael Dean informed all about the upcoming "Cars, Coffee, and Warbirds Event" on Saturday, September 14th as well as the Tenant Appreciation Meeting on Thursday, September 19th.

The Airport Commission adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Dean

MICHAEL DEAN
Airport Operations Coordinator