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## AIRPORT COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025, 3 P.M.  
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ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

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PRESENT: Chair Gibbs, Co-Chair Gamblin, Alderette, Delpino, and Trigueros

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Daniel Prather, Michael Dean.

The Airport Commission convened the meeting at 3:08 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction by new Commissioner Steven Delpino

Roll Call

### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

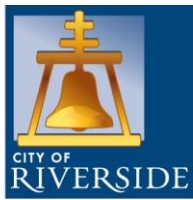
There was no one wishing to address the Commission.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### MINUTES

#### CANCEL JULY AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Alderette and seconded by Commissioner Gamblin to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The Commission unanimously approved item 2 and 3 with no discussion.



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### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

#### ABSENCE OF COMMISSIONER ALDERETTE- MARCH MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Alderette and seconded by Commissioner Gamblin to approve Commissioner Alderette's absence as excused. The Commission unanimously approved item number 4 with no discussion.

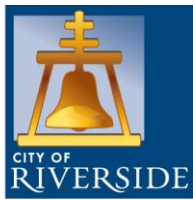
#### CODE OF ETHICS REVIEW 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Alderette and seconded by Commissioner Gamblin to approve item number 5 as presented. The Commission unanimously approved item number 5 with Co-Chair Gamblin and Chair Gibbs confirming that all Commissioners must schedule ethics training every two years with the City Clerk's Office.

#### JUNE 2025 AIRPORT MANAGERS REPORT

Airport Manager Daniel Prather began his report by updating the Commission on airport operations and financial statistics. Prather discussed the statistics on the operations report as including overflights versus not counting overflights. Prather alluded to the fact that the operations numbers are lower than previous year's numbers due to low clouds and fog over the period accounted for. As for the financials, Prather showed that the airport is under in expenditures and over in revenues.

Prather updated the Commission on a few highlights over the past several months including the Blue Zones Kick Off Project which was attended by 1,200-1,500 attendees as well as the Ohmio bus testing its vehicle around the airport. Prather followed up with showcasing the newly painted compass rose in front of the Terminal ramp as well as last month's Aerospace Expo which was held on May 31. Prather continued with his discussion by informing the Commission on the airfield maintenance around the airport as well as the new hangars being constructed by the airport's fixed based operator- Riverside Air Service. Prather concluded the highlights section of his report by discussing the recent roofing project job walk which includes new roofing for a row of Parflight Hangers, the terminal building as well as a section of Waypoint Aviation. Lastly, Prather



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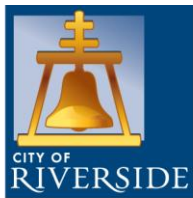
discussed the 2025 Airport Tenant Survey which shows tenant satisfaction and future considerations and concerns of the airport tenants.

Prather concluded his report by informing the Commission of the upcoming City Council items which include awarding the bid for the Terminal exterior painting project, awarding the bid for the airport marquee project and the roof replacement project and the revised Airport Café lease agreement.

Co-Chair Gamblin started the discussion by asking Prather about the decline of 5.3% in airport operations and if it was due to any factors in general. Prather stated that several factors could be related to the decline which may include weather, activity, enrollment and conditions. Gamblin then asked for clarification on the gap between expenditures and revenue as well as if any projects have been held up due to spending issues. Prather confirmed that no projects have been held up due to financial constraints and that unexpected revenues have been increased thru a lease agreement with Manheim Auto Auction.

Commission Delpino inquired about the response rate of 24% for the 2025 Airport Tenant Survey and how can the airport increase participation. Prather discussed that many tenants visit the airport office or attend the tenant meetings with concerns and comments who might not fill out the survey. Prather did discuss other options including a paper version of the survey to help increase participation.

Commissioner Trigueros inquired about the overflights in the operations report and if they will be omitted in the future. Prather stated that moving forward the overflights will not be counted towards airport operations but will have a side-by-side comparison for 2025. Trigueros then asked if the new hangar construction was exclusive the FBO. Prather stated that the new hangars are on the FBO lease hold and will be privately owned. Trigueros then asked if any future development is considered for new hangars at the airport. Prather stated that multiple discussions have taken place between the airport and developers for future development of 18 acres on the westside of the airport.



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Commissioner Gamblin asked about communication with residents about aircraft noise and if it is an issue and how is it handled. Prather stated that the airport receives around 10-12 noise complaints monthly with the Adams/Magnolia and the Victoria Grove neighborhoods being the most common. Prather eluded the 311 call center will be handling airport noise complaints to better track and record noise complaints in the future. Prather also informed the Commission that the airport does not control flight plans or airspace and that this is the Federal Aviation Administration's jurisdiction however, the airport does ask pilots to fly neighborly at tenant meetings and newsletter publications.

Commissioner Gibbs added that the Federal Aviation Administration does have a noise complaint initiative campaign which they monitor and research. Gibbs also added that the chart supplement could be updated to show specific noise complaint neighborhoods for pilots flying in and around the airport.

A motion was made by Commissioner Alderette and seconded by Commissioner Gamblin to approve the June Airport Managers Report. The Commission unanimously approved item number 6.

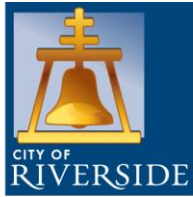
### COMMUNICATIONS

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

No updates for item number 7.

#### ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Commissioner Delpino would like the Airport to consider exploring options within the electric aircraft industry or EVTOL. Delpino discussed his conversation with Joby Aviation who is looking for electric aircraft charging stations, vertiports and a possible manufacturing facility. Prather reported that he has met with Joby Aviation at a conference and was looking into the airport being a site for the electric aircraft industry.



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The Airport Commission adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michael Dean*

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