

Humboldt County Airport Advisory Committee
October 25, 2005
1800
Airport Terminal, Manager's Office

- 1) Call to Order: 1805 p.m.
- 2) Parking ticket validations - Completed
- 3) Roll call – Members: Allistair McCrone, Chairman; Jack Limmer, George Jutila, Kyle Gabel, Chuck Goodwin, Bill Davidson, Dennis Lichty, Rich Fenton. Guests: Mike Kiel, TSA, Jim Bisiar, Trinidad resident; Robert Averill, guest.
- 4) Approval of Minutes for the 9/27/05 meeting - Moved by Allistair McCrone and seconded by Jack Limmer – unanimously approved.
- 5) Airport Manager's report:
 - a) Standing airport projects
 - i) Rohnerville: RW/TW Lighting design started. The new lighting project will be a full conduit system with LED lighting that will be more energy efficient
 - ii) Kneeland: Rwy Project 99% complete...second painting of markings 11/7/05. The "bump" that was in middle of the runway has been fixed, and the only remaining scheduled shutdown will be for the striping. Bill Davidson asked that Jacque check on getting the trees cut on the approach end of the runway. Per Jacque, this should not be a problem, as it is timber company property.
 - iii) Dinsmore: Storm Drain to start. No announced start date has been given by the contractor.
 - iv) ACV: Met with Tenants on 9/29/05 for the second meeting. The expansion will be approximately 10,000 square feet, with 6,000' to regain space lost to TSA operations and 4,000' dedicated to some expansion space.
 - v) ACV: GA Ramp bid rejected based on cost. The cost was approximately \$800,000 over budget and bids were possibly high because Hurricane Katrina has impacted the cost and availability of construction materials. This project will be rebid after review by consultants to value engineer the project and possibly delete or modify portions of it for better constructability.
 - vi) ACV: Master Plan Updates – ACV Draft was presented to BOS on October 18, 2005. BOS unanimously "received and filed" the plan and directed Staff to move forward with the Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA). There were no problems reported with its acceptance. Dr. Jutila was present for the meeting and indicated to the Board the Committee's support of Option 5.
 - vii) EKA: Request for Qualifications for Environmental Assessment were distributed 10/15/05 for Murray Field environmental issues. These will be returned to the County in approximately 30 days.
 - b) Advisory Committee's Formal Endorsement of ACV – Draft Master Plan dated 9/22/05. A motion was made by Dr. Jutila and seconded by Dennis Lichty to support Option 5, not to the exclusion of Option 4 or other options as may be necessary in the future. Chairman to write letter to BOS regarding the Committee's position.
 - c) Additional Air Service – Jacque has talked to Horizon and there will be a new Seattle flight starting November 1. The United RJ is to be out of service to our market for a limited time.
 - d) Energy Cost Impacts – no reported issues for County operations or airport operators.
 - e) The nose-in hanger at ACV is being proposed by Jacque to the College of the Redwoods as a class restoration project. These discussions are ongoing.
 - f) Statistics – enplanements and deplanements continue to better than expected for 2005. Only cargo activity has shown a slight decrease for the past month, but overall it is also increased over this period, to date, in 2004.

- a. Cargo: Issue of a FEDEX hub at ACV was broached by a member of the public at the Board of Supervisors meeting. What would attract an air cargo facility? High volume outbound activity/high population base/ access to other forms of reliable transportation such as railroads/connection to two major interstate highways and an infrastructure to support service failures i.e. another cargo server. A discussion was held regarding the above issues and there is general agreement that the infrastructure and other support systems that are required for a "hub" do not exist and that it would not be a productive use of time to pursue a carrier. Jacque indicated that if interest is expressed, that the County would try to accommodate any specific requests.
- 6) Manager's professional activity: November 1, 2005 meeting with FAA-SFO-ADO Manager, Andy Richardson, FAA staff, airport consultants and Public works staff to review master plans and projects, including the terminal expansion and the general aviation ramp plans.
- 7) Pending public events /aviation meetings: EAA meeting the third Saturday of each month. AVI8CANDO meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month.
- 8) Nominations – New Secretary needed, Rich Fenton is out-of-country for construction projects. Note: Rich returned today from Louisiana and this item was deleted from the agenda.
- 9) Old business and correspondence: Thank you letters to Mavis Brown, Bobbie Marks, and Ron Coffman have been prepared by Jacque and signed by the Chairman.
- 10) Open session: to include community guests
 - i) George Jutila and Alistair McCrone commented on the high cost of energy and the effects that it has on the country's overall standard of living.
 - ii) The continuing problem of deer on the airport at Murray Field was discussed. Jacque assured the Committee that the issue was being continually addressed.
 - iii) Jim Bisiar requested that the licensing agreement between the County and the Humboldt Trap and Skeet Club be investigated by the Committee. He indicated that he has an issue with the noise created by the use or possibly increased use of the facility.
 - iv) Robert Averill asked if the County was interested in a private developer building some hangers at Murray Field and donating a portion of the hangers to the County in exchange for retaining the balance for personal use and rental.
 - v) Moved by Alistair McCrone and seconded by George Jutila, to commend Jacque for her efforts in completing the draft ACV Master Plan.
- Next Committee meeting to be on 11/29/05 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. December meeting TBD.

11) Adjournment at 1915