

AIRPORT COMMISSION OPERATIONS, PROPERTIES AND FACILITIES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023 – 3:30 P.M.

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Committee Chairman Feltman called the Operations, Properties and Facilities Committee meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. The meeting was held via videoconference.

2. **POSTING OF AGENDA**: Agenda posted on June 23, 2023.

3. <u>ROLL CALL</u>:

Committee Members Present: Breslin, Feltman, Miller, Pye* and Young **Committee Members Absent:** Payne

*Committee Member Pye joined the meeting at 3:31 P.M.

Staff Present:

Jeremy Keating, Assistant Airport Director Daniel Meier, Deputy Director of Aviation, Marketing and Air Service Ramon Sanchez, Interim Operations Manager Christina Brown, Airport Executive Program Administrator

Others Present:

Gary Armstrong, Public Arts Commissioner Adam Lerner, Executive Director of the Palm Springs Art Museum

4. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

ACTION: Accept the agenda as presented. Moved by Committee Member Miller and seconded by Committee Member Young and unanimously approved.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Steve Rosenberg voiced his concern in regard to the cost of the outbound baggage handling system.

6. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>:

ACTION: Approve the minutes of the Operations, Properties and Facilities Committee meeting held on April 5, 2023. **Moved by Committee Member Breslin, seconded**

by Committee Member Pye and approved by the following roll call vote: 3 Yes; 2 Abstain; and noting the absence of Committee Member Payne.

7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

7.A Parking Capacity Update

Interim Operations Manager Sanchez reviewed the average daily parking lot capacity for parking lots A-D and the overflow parking lot for May 2023, and the parking lot statistics comparison for March, April and May 2022 versus March, April and May 2023.

Committee Chairman Feltman asked what triggers the opening of the overflow lot. Mr. Sanchez said that when ABM's parking staff see that parking lot D is becoming saturated, the parking staff will start counting the available parking spaces in parking lots A-D every 30 minutes, and the trigger to open the overflow parking lot is when the available parking spaces gets down to 25 available parking spaces. Committee Chairman Feltman inquired about the shuttle process for the overflow parking lot. Mr. Sachez explained that ABM curb side staff typically drive the shuttle, and Airport staff can also be used as supplemental shuttle drivers. Committee Chairman Feltman asked if ABM adds additional curbside staff during the Airport's busy season to keep from pulling from the curbside staff. Mr. Sanchez said that ABM tries to staff up during the busy season, and when there is attrition, the Airport staff can be utilized.

Committee Chairman Feltman requested that staff provide the parking capacity data by parking lot for the last couple of years to help the Committee understand the parking trends. Committee Member Breslin inquired about the availability of ADA parking spaces in the overflow parking lot. Mr. Sanchez said that there weren't any identified ADA parking spaces in the overflow parking lot and staff was in the process of having a redesign completed for the overflow parking lot which would identify the placement of the ADA parking spaces. Assistant Airport Director Keating noted that there were multiple shuttle pickup locations within the overflow parking lot. Committee Member Breslin asked if there were signs in place to identify the shuttle pickup locations. Mr. Keating said that staff was in the process of placing parking and shuttle location identifiers. Committee Chairman Feltman inquired about the timeframe for the location identifiers to be installed. Mr. Sanchez said that the location identifiers would be installed within the next couple of months.

7.B Landscape Update

Assistant Airport Director Keating said that he had spoken with the City's Director of Sustainability Lindsey-Paige McCloy and that they had discussed the possibility of developing a landscaping master plan for the next five years. Committee Chairman Feltman asked if a landscaping plan could be put together in six months. Mr. Keating said that while he agreed that the Airport's landscaping needed to move forward, he was hesitant to commit to a timeframe because of the Airport's limited staff, and he said that the landscaping project was a large project that would require a dedicated staff member to oversee the project.

7.C Roadway Signage

Committee Chairman Feltman noted that Committee Member Payne had requested the roadway signage agenda item, and he asked staff if they knew the reason behind Committee Member Payne's request for the agenda item. Assistant Airport Director Keating said that he believed that Committee Member Payne was inquiring about the replacement of the weathered roadway signs, and he said that staff was working on putting the project out for bid.

Committee Member Miller asked if the bid would include upgrading the road signage on El Cielo Road, and he said that there was a deficit of signage as people travel north on El Cielo Road which is a safety issue. Mr. Keating said that he would take that into consideration for the RFP scope. Committee Member Young suggested including bilingual signage. Committee Chairman Feltman noted that there was signage that also referred to the overflow parking lot as the economy parking lot, and he asked that the signage be consistent for the overflow parking lot.

7.D IT Networking

Assistant Airport Director Keating said that the IT Department was overseeing the Wi-Fi project, he said he had spoken to the IT Director Larry Klingaman, and Mr. Klingaman said that he understood the importance of improving the Wi-Fi at the Airport, and his department was working on determining the best method for proceeding with the Wi-Fi project. Mr. Keating said that he would be tracking the progress of the Wi-Fi project, and he would continue to encourage the IT Department to move the project forward as quickly as possible.

Committee Member Miller expressed his concern with the length of time that the Wi-Fi has been a critical issue at the Airport, and he asked if the procurement of supplemental services by the Airport had been considered. Mr. Keating said that he didn't believe that it would be possible to procure supplemental services. Committee Chairman Feltman suggested inviting the City Manager to attend an Airport Commission meeting so that he could have a better understanding of the issue from the Commission's perspective.

7.E Airport Artwork Update

Committee Chairman Feltman noted that Public Arts Commissioner Gary Armstrong and Adam Lerner, Palm Springs Art Museum Executive Director, had come to the Airport to examine the Airport's existing artwork. Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong said that he and Mr. Lerner had been to the Airport twice to examine the artwork, and he said that the general consensus was that a majority of the artwork was not sited with care and that the artwork was placed in open spots which doesn't give the architecture the framing it needs to respect the artwork.

Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong recommended that the artwork be relocated while the Airport is undergoing the construction phases for the concession projects, and he said that there were four or five artwork pieces that could be grouped along the promenade where the John F. Kennedy bust was located to create an art walk. Committee Chairman Feltman asked if a sketch would be provided for the proposed relocation of the artwork. Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong said that the Public Arts Commission would be providing a design and recommendation for the relocation of the artwork and the framing of the artwork to the Airport Commission by late July or September.

Mr. Lerner said that the Palm Springs Art Museum (museum) wants to be partners with the Airport, and he was happy to know that if a piece of artwork cannot be displayed at the museum, it could potentially be displayed at the Airport. He said that there were five categories that should be considered for the placement of artwork: 1) Vision; 2) Selection of artwork; 3) Proper siting of the artwork; 4) Regular care and maintenance of the artwork; and 5) Interpretation of the artwork.

Committee Chairman Feltman inquired about Mr. Lerner's vision for communicating the specific artwork maintenance issues, and what would be the ideal scenario for improving the maintenance of the artwork. Mr. Lerner said that having a service agreement with an art maintenance professional would be the best way to handle the maintenance of the artwork, and he said that typically the maintenance could be done annually and that some of the artwork could require more frequent maintenance. Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong noted that there was an artwork piece that would be nefit from relocation because it was located in an area that was being irrigated.

Mr. Keating requested that Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong provide the design and recommendation proposal to the Airport staff to allow the Airport staff to review the proposal and to make comments before it goes through the approval process. Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong confirmed that the proposal would be sent to Airport staff to review prior to going through the approval process. Committee Member Miller noted that the Airport's Master Plan would also need to be taken into consideration.

Committee Chairman Feltman asked if a revolving artwork display could be possible for the Airport. Mr. Lerner said that while he saw value in having a revolving artwork display, the possibility of having a revolving artwork display would be dependent on a sufficient budget for a revolving artwork display. Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong noted that the Airport doesn't have a large footprint for artwork which could be a challenge for implementing a revolving artwork display.

Committee Chairman Feltman inquired about the Chihuly artwork pieces. Mr. Keating said that the Chihuly artwork pieces had been boxed up and they were being temporarily stored until staff could find a location to display the artwork. He said that staff could have an offline discussion with Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong and Mr. Lerner on where to place the artwork, and he said that he would recommend delaying the placement of the artwork until after the concession projects were completed.

Committee Chairman Feltman suggested that Deputy Director of Aviation, Marketing and Air Service Meier should also be working with Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong and Mr. Lerner on the coordination of artwork displays and advertising displays. Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong said that it would be helpful for all stakeholders to have a plan.

Committee Chairman Feltman voiced his concern about the length of time that it could take to relocate the Chihuly artwork. Mr. Keating suggested that staff could work with Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong and Mr. Lerner on the coordination for relocating the Chihuly artwork. Mr. Lerner said that he was happy to assist as an art expert and that he could be involved in the process as little or as much as the Airport staff and Public Arts Commissioner Armstrong wanted him to be. Committee Member Feltman said that he would work with staff on the next steps. Committee Member Pye agreed that Committee Chairman Feltman should work with staff first because there were variables which could affect liability, and the available budget also needs to be taken into consideration.

8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND REQUESTS:

Committee Chairman Feltman reminded the committee members that an Airport tour had been scheduled for Monday, July 17th at 8:00 a.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

The Airport Operations, Properties and Facilities Committee Meeting adjourned at 4:41 P.M.

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Christina Brown Executive Program Administrator

APPROVED BY OPERATIONS, PROPERTIES AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE: 02/06/24