



palm springs
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

AIRPORT COMMISSION

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE AIRPORT COMMISSION OF
THE PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

Wednesday, February 18, 2026 - 4:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Corcoran called the Airport Commission meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. The meeting was held in-person and via videoconference.

Chairman Corcoran asked Commissioner McDermott to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. POSTING OF AGENDA: Agenda posted on February 12, 2026.

3. ROLL CALL:

Commissioner’s Present:

Todd Burke (Palm Springs) Vice Chairman	Christian Samlaska (Cathedral City)
Kevin Corcoran (Palm Springs) - Chairman	Timothy Schoeffler (Palm Springs)
J Craig Fong (Palm Springs)	Phil Valdez (Indian Wells)
Ken Hedrick (Palm Springs)	Rick Wise (Indio)
Geoffrey Kiehl (La Quinta)	Keith Young (Rancho Mirage)
Tracy Martin (Palm Springs)	Margaret Park (Riverside County)
Samantha McDermott (Palm Springs)	

Commissioners Absent: Daniel Caldwell (Palm Springs), Bryan Ebensteiner (Palm Springs), Dirk Voss (Desert Hot Springs), Kevin Wiseman (Palm Desert)

Staff Present:

Harry Barrett, Jr., Executive Director of Aviation

Jeremy Keating, Assistant Airport Director

Victoria Carpenter, Assistant Airport Director

Daniel Meier, Deputy Director of Aviation, Marketing and Air Service

Ryan Kaspari, Deputy Director of Capital Development

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Lowell Valencia - Miller, Executive Program Administrator
Christina Brown, Executive Program Administrator
Harman Singh, Project Manager
Ramon Sanchez, Operations Manager
Ed Graff, Operations Manager
Tom Woodard, Airport Emergency Planning Administrator
Jake Ingrassia, Marketing and Communications Specialist
Jason Hodges, Strategy and Innovation Administrator
Mariana Anguiano, Executive Administrative Assistant
Tanya Perez, Administrative Specialist
Jeremy Holm, City Attorney

Others Present:

Teva Dawson Group Creative Services LLC.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER FONG, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER YOUNG, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the agenda as presented.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Brandon Weimer, Representing Brandini Toffee gave a public comment on Item 7.C Retail, Food, and Beverage Blank Slate Concessions Space.

Bonnie Bronson, gave a public comment on Item 7.A Regulatory Framework Governing Aircraft Noise.

Claude Peck, gave a public comment Item 7.A Regulatory Framework Governing Aircraft Noise.

Athena Sippel, Representing The Kids Bakery (TKB) gave a public comment on Item 7.C Retail, Food, and Beverage Blank Slate Concessions Space.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

6.A Minutes of the Airport Commission Meeting of January 21, 2026.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SCHOELLFER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER YOUNG, CARRIED 9 – YES, WITH COMMISSIONERS KIEHL, MCDERMOTT AND PARK -ABSTAINED to approve the minutes of JANUARY 21, 2026.

7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

7.A Regulatory Framework Governing Aircraft Noise

Marketing and Communications Specialist, Ingrassia presented to the Commission on community concerns regarding aircraft noise following Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) flight path changes. PSP staff explained that the airport manages on-ground operations, while the FAA controls in-air flight paths, outlined ongoing noise mitigation efforts, and encouraged residents to submit concerns via PSP's online form or directly to the FAA.

7.B Development of Art Budget and Art Program

Executive Program Manager, Brown and Teva Dawson with Group Creative Services presented the Airport art program, and the Commission approved the FY26–27 budget, funding allocations, and maintenance support, emphasizing local artists and tribal cultural representation, with plans to integrate art into capital projects and begin installations in May 2026.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WISE, SECOND BY BURKE TO APPROVE AND IMPLEMENT A CAP OF FUNDS FROM THE 1% LOCAL MATCH ALLOCATIONS AND TO INCLUDE AN ANNUAL AIRPORT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET AS WELL AS A RECOMMENDATION THAT GROUP CREATIVE SERVICES HAVE AN ART INSTALLATION BY MAY 2026. VOTE: YES - UNANIMOUSLY.

7.C Retail, Food, and Beverage Blank Slate Concessions Space

Executive Program Administrator, Valencia-Miller gave an update.

7.D Earthquake Preparedness

Airport Emergency Planning Administrator, Woodard presented.

7.E Marketing and Business Development Committee Meeting Update

Chairman Corcoran provided an update along with Strategy and Innovation Administrator, Hodges on FUSE lobby space.

7.F Operations, Properties, and Facilities Committee Meeting Update

Assistant Airport Director, Carpenter along with Operations Manager Graff provided an update.

7.G Marketing Update

Deputy Director of Aviation Marketing and Air Service, Meier gave an update.

7.H Projects and Airport Capital Improvement Program Update

Project Manager, Singh gave an update.

7.I Financial Update

Assistant Airport Director, Carpenter provided an update.

7.J Future City council Update

Assistant Airport Director, Carpenter provided an update.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director of Aviation, Barrett provided updates.

9. COMMISSIONERS REQUESTS AND REPORTS

10. REPORT OF COUNCIL ACTIONS:

10.A Past City Council Actions

11. RECEIVE AND FILE:

11.A Airline Activity Report January 2026

11.B Airline Activity Report Fiscal Year Comparison

11.C Request For Proposal (RFP) and Invitation For Bid (IFB) Update

12. COMMITTEES:

12.A Future Committee Meetings

12.B Committee's Roster

13. ADJOURNMENT:

The Airport Commission adjourned at 6:31P.M. to the Regular Meeting on March 18, 2026, at 4:00 P.M.

Mariana Anguiano

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APPROVED BY AIRPORT COMMISSION : 03-18-26