

Approved Minutes

Tempe Aviation Commission

March 14, 2023

Minutes of the Tempe Aviation Commission meeting – was held virtual Microsoft Teams meeting with call in +1 (480) 498-8745 United States, Phoenix (Toll) Conference ID: 243 160 897# and at the Tempe Public Library, on March 14, 2023 6:30 p.m.

(MEMBERS) Present:

W. David Doiron
Karen Apple
Stuart Mitnik
Aaron McBride
John Lynch
Peter Schelstraete
Ed Kucharski

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Desiree Walker

Citizens Present:

None

City Staff Present:

Brianne Fisher, Sustainability and Resilience
Office, City of Tempe

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Mr. Doiron called the meeting to order at 6:32p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances

Mr. Doiron asks if there are any members in the audience looking to make a comment.
There are none.

Agenda Item 3 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes (December 13 and January 10)

Mr. Doiron asked if anyone had considerations of minutes such as discrepancies or corrections.
Chair asks if anyone has any more corrections. No members had any corrections.

The Chair moves to approve the meeting minutes, Commissioner Kucharski seconds.
Unanimous approval.

Agenda Item 4 – Aircraft Noise Mitigation Reports

Brianne Fisher, TAVCO Liaison provides an update. Ongoing discussion from the last meeting, we reviewed the quarterly and annual reports that Oddvar use to complete and discussed what information should we keep, add or subtract. Fisher explains that Williams Aviation Consultants is contracted with the City of Tempe Attorney's Office. She is working with them to help Tempe position ourselves in a way to get the data we need and perhaps lacking, in addition to finding solutions providing the gap in reporting that has been missing since Oddvar has been gone. Fisher says she can share more when the a more formal scope of work is signed and completed.

Chair asks if there are any questions, and asks if we can continue the item for next meeting.

Agenda Item 5 – National Aviation History Month Outreach and Education Event

Chair explains that we are still planning for this event; presentation should not last more than 20 minutes. Make a lot of the event questions and answers. That is what might plan is to get prepared. Member Kucharski previously volunteered to work on that with me.

Fisher provides more information about the event taking place in November. It is on History Museum radar. Discussed Saturday morning with an element of aviation history in Tempe and valley in addition to aviation policy and what TAVCO does. Market the event in the Tempe bulletin, developed by Commissioner Mitnik.

November 18 is talked about as the best date.

Agenda Item 6 – Rio Salado Development

Chair does not have anything new. One comment, Chair talked with lady that created IGA. If Tempe changes the conditions, Phoenix is no longer bound by the IGA. It looks like it is a mutual agreement. I Phoenix thinks Tempe is not honoring the agreement then it is null a void. And as we knew, Phoenix does believe this development does not honor the agreement.

Fisher states that this Commission has asked the developer to present to TAVCO, this ask was put in during September of 2022. Developer was supposed to come to this meeting to present, unfortunately they informed me that they wanted to wait until after the election. Fisher continues to apologize on behalf of the City for not being able to provide TAVCO with any kind of presentation on this development.

Agenda Item 7 – Commissioners Business

Commissioner Mitnik recommends the elimination of TAVCO. Mitnik continues that this is the biggest aviation related issues happening in Tempe since the development of the IGA and we do not have much to do with it. I would like to put it down as a topic for next time.

Chair confirms that it will be on the agenda for next time.

Fisher asks if there is any information that staff can provide to prepare for that conversation.

Fisher mentions the Neighborhood Celebration Event taking place April 1 in the morning at Kiwanis park.

Agenda Item 8 – Next TAVCO Meeting

Next meeting at April 11.

Agenda Item 9 - Adjournment

Member Mitnik moves to adjourn the meeting. Kucharski seconds. Unanimous approval.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Prepared by: Brianne Fisher