- 1 The following is a condensed version of the TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- 2 regular meeting held Wednesday, November 5, 2015 in the Truckee Tahoe Airport District Community
- 3 Room A, located at the Truckee Airport, 10356 Truckee Airport Road, Truckee, California at 4:30 p.m.

#### 4 **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** 4:30 p.m.

#### 5 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

6	DIRECTORS PRESENT:	President John B. Jones, Jr.
7		Vice President Lisa Wallace
8		Director Mary Hetherington
9		Director Tom Van Berkem
10		Director Jim Morrison
11	STAFF PRESENT:	Mr. Kevin Smith, General Manager
12		Mr. Phred Stoner, Director of Operations & Maintenance
13		Ms. Sally Lyon, Director of Finance and Administration
14		Mr. Mike Cooke, Manager of Aviation and Community Services
15		Mr. Brent Collinson, District Legal Counsel

16 Ms. Lauren Tapia, District Clerk

#### 17 VISITORS PRESENT: 10

- 18 SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS: President Jones reported that the District received the Truckee Donner 19 Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Government Award last month.
- Director Morrison was present after a long absence and commented that he was looking forward to themeeting.

#### 22 PUBLIC COMMENT: None

#### 23 CONSENT ITEMS

24	•	Minutes: September 30, 2015 Regular Meeting	TAB 1
25	•	Monthly Service Bills and Fees	TAB 2
26	•	Quarterly Financial Report	TAB 3
27	•	Quarterly Internal Control Audit	TAB 4

Director Hetherington requested that one credit card be pulled and reviewed for each cycle when anInternal Control Audit is performed going forward.

- 30 MOTION #1 NOVEMBER-5-15: Director Hetherington motioned to accept all Consent Items. Vice
- 31 President Wallace seconded the motion. President Jones, Vice President Wallace, Directors Van Berkem,
- 32 Morrison and Hetherington voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

#### 33 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

#### 34 **PRESENTATIONS AND ROUTINE REPORTS**

35 ACAT REPORT (TAB 5):

- 36 Mr. Tom Combs presented an ACAT update. There was a meeting on October 13, 2015 and three new
- 37 members have joined the team. At the meeting, the September, 2015 minutes were approved. Brown
- 38 Act Training was conducted. The ACAT Code of Conduct, Mission and Vision were reviewed. Past ACAT
- accomplishments were discussed, but as the meeting was running longer than anticipated, this will
- 40 continue during the next meeting.
- 41 AWOS is still in progress. Ultrasonic Wind Gauges continue to be researched in regard to placement on 42 either Alpine or Squaw, and whether it should be rented or leased.
- 43 A Trails meeting was held on October 19, 2015. The goal is to make a full presentation to the Board in
- 44 January or February with findings and recommendations.

- 46 Director Hetherington asked if there had been discussion around a position for which terms still needed
- 47 to be polled. Mr. Smith indicated that would come later on the agenda.

## 48 **QUARTERLY COMMUNICATIONS REPORT (TAB 6)**:

- 49 Mr. Smith requested that this be moved to the Board meeting in December as staff is attending the
- 50 STEM Fair. President Jones stated that this report will be moved to the next meeting.

## 51 QUARTERLY OPERATIONS AND COMMENT REPORT (TAB 7):

- 52 Mr. Cooke reported that seven additional cameras are capturing operations and there is a much cleaner
- 53 set of data than in past years. Glider operations and transient helicopters are not being captured,
- 54 however, and while those with transponders are tracked, the track quality may not be ideal.
- 55 Operations were up approximately 11% over Quarter three of 2014. The largest growth category was
- 56 turbo props, which is in line with national trends. PC12 is the category leader. Surf Air was 498 of the
- 57 1170 operations for Quarter 3 in 2015, compared to 176 in Quarter 3 of 2014. The turbo prop category
- 58 was up 78%, which offset some losses in operations with smaller jets.
- 59 Director Van Berkem asked if Surf Air has definitively doubled their operations. Mr. Cooke replied that
- 60 Surf Air added Burbank which was a third route. The lease with Surf Air states that passenger loads
- 61 would not be shared publicly, but while specific numbers cannot be reported, it can be said that there is
- 62 an average of four passengers per aircraft or more people on fewer planes. Director Van Berkem asked
- 63 about Jet Suite. Mr. Cooke reported that Jet Suite is a standard charter and not a membership charter.
- 64 There appears to be less activity from Jet Suite and more from Surf Air but hard numbers were not
- accessible. Jet Suite primarily flies the Phenom 100.
- 66 Director Hetherington questioned if the Skyhawk is as popular at other airports as it appears to be most
- 67 common to frequent KTRK. Mr. Cooke reported that of 1500 operations, 31 of the aircraft are based in
- 68 Truckee. Director Hetherington asked about the mention of night operations and a lack of precision
- approach. Mr. Cooke replied that this was part of a survey result in the ACAT night operation paper.
- 70 Vertical guidance appears to be the issue. Director Hetherington stated that on page three of the report,
- 71 it is indicated that 20 of 59 are new commenters.
- 72 Mr. Cooke asked to speak again on time periods for tracking night operations. Time periods were
- rounded to hours with the exception of the first and last.

- 74 Director Hetherington liked the data and reiterated that total comments were up 53% this quarter.
- 75 Director Hetherington asked if people had been asking for the control tower. Mr. Cooke replied that part
- of the strategy for this quarter has been to give the commenter as much information as possible
- including possible solutions. Questions have been around surveillance, the control tower, and what
- authority the airport has with aircraft in flight. During long conversations, Mr. Cooke tries to inform each
- caller regarding issues the airport faces and what can and cannot be legally asked of aircraft in flight.
- 80 Director Hetherington asked if this is an option that could be pursued and Mr. Cooke replied yes, and
- 81 that he tells callers that there are advantages and disadvantages to the control tower option.
- 82 Mr. Cooke reported that regarding new commenters, zones have been examined to find any trends but
- there were none. When winds were high on runway 2/20, the most new commenters were heard from
- 84 in Glenshire. Three out of 59 called regarding the same plane. There are specific events that will
- 85 generate more new commenters than others. One commenter started a social media campaign, but Mr.
- 86 Cooke had not observed evidence that the campaign turned into a group effort or had any significant
- 87 impact on the volume of comments.
- Vice President Wallace stated that there seemed to be more people than usual complaining aroundnoise in the last two months.
- 90 Director Hetherington stated that the Board needs to discuss the potential impacts of a control tower.
- 91 Mr. Cooke reported that Olympic Heights would be the most impacted. Prosser had a large number of
- 92 comments from a single household. Director Hetherington indicated that some people have given up
- 93 and do not call anymore.
- 94 President Jones reported that Mr. Smith had walked the Olympic Heights neighborhood in May or June
- 95 of 2014. Director Hetherington stated that if the neighborhood had been walked in July or August, the
- 96 response would have been different. Mr. Smith reported that while there are people who are concerned
- 97 in the Olympic Heights neighborhood, not every home had a negative comment about the airport.
- 98 Mr. Cooke stated that there had been great progress in the ease in commenting for the public since
- 2014. September was included in the report in entirety. A pilot responded to an outreach in a
- 100 September 13, 2015 comment, and this comment represented what Mr. Cooke has heard from pilots.
- 101 They are trying not to impact the community and if this is the case, a control tower may be a positive
- 102 option.
- Director Van Berkem stated that there are constant reminders to educate the public; staff should be conscious using the term "educate" the public. Mr. Cooke acknowledged that and replied that pilots are also being educated during every call. Director Van Berkem asked about the 66 annoyance complaints determined non-compliant, and if any of the instances were from repeat callers. Mr. Cooke reported that there are.
- 108 Director Morrison appreciated the subjective answers.
- 109 Director Van Berkem stated that it may be helpful to know how many within the figure receive
- 110 comments from multiple community members. Mr. Cooke stated that, for instance, one PC12 operator
- 111 received two in the Quarter, one occurring the night before the AirShow and another during a high wind
- situation. There was not an operationally significant amount of repeat commenters within the 66
- annoyance complaints, however. Specific numbers could be compiled. Director Van Berkem asked for
- 114 the specific numbers when convenient.

- 115 Vice President Wallace stated that when people casually complain about noise and annoyance, they are
- asked to report their comments. The value of highlighting repeat commenters is understood, but they
- 117 should also be respected. People are casually encouraged to submit repeat comments if noise and
- annoyance is repeatedly experienced. Director Morrison stated that the subjective aspect should be
- 119 listened to. Vice President Wallace does not want to imply that there is criticism for comments. Mr.
- 120 Smith reported that from a staff level, people are encouraged to comment and the numbers are only a
- 121 gauge and not a barometer.
- 122 Director Van Berkem asked if Net Jets has been in communication regarding his situation a few months 123 ago. Mr. Cooke replied that they have not.

## 124 **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- 125 Mr. Tom Combs stated in regards to the comment by Mr. Smith that it is true that if comments go up or
- down, it is not clear if a better job is being done to decrease complaints or if people are giving up on
- 127 commenting. The subjective comments are important. Numbers can be interpreted into whatever is
- desired. In a case where someone may make 74 comments, the data will be skewed and that should be
- 129 examined specifically in review.
- 130 Vice President Wallace suggested that it could possibly be reported that there were *N* number of
- 131 comments followed by the word *and* rather than *but* in order to avoid diminishing the figure. Mr. Combs
- reported that the repeated commenter is not valid or invalid, but that the number of comments will
- 133 skew the results.
- 134 Director Morrison stated that the airport can strive to be good at handling the issues commented on.
- 135 There will always be a certain number of complaints.
- 136 Director Van Berkem stated that it may have been noticed that his position has changed since a near-
- 137 miss incident at his home, and he is looking for ways to not increase traffic. Director Hetherington
- 138 commented that the airport is different than it was decades ago, and responsibility and sensitivity to the
- 139 social contact with the community is critical. People have chosen to live near the airport, but when they
- 140 originally located here the airport was different. Director Morrison stated that staff is doing a fantastic
- 141 job with what they have been asked to do. Unless a specific plan to combat the negative comments is
- discussed, the Board should not complain about noise and annoyance implying that staff is not doing
- their job well. The Board members indicated that they are very proud of the staff. Director Hetherington
- believes it is important to review the numbers every month and determine what they indicate, both
- 145 objectively and subjectively.

# 146 **BOARD ACTION ITEMS**

# 147 EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO NEGOTIATE – LAND LEASE (TAB 8):

- 148 President Jones reported that JMA Ventures has chosen to elevate a request to the Board for an
- 149 exclusive right to negotiate with airport management about a potential long term lease on the property.
- 150 The proposal is for the construction of a grocery store. At this time, JMA is not asking for any decision,
- 151 but rather hopes to understand the terms under which they can negotiate. While a hard proposal will
- 152 probably be forthcoming, JMA would like to keep the client anonymous at this time. The proposal has
- 153 the potential to add 200 jobs within the community.

- 154 Vice President Wallace asked for clarification around a prior situation. In mid-2013, the Board was
- 155 approached by JMA with a client, Clear Capital, for an exclusive right. There was discussion by the Board,
- 156 and a decision to publicize the consideration. President Jones replied that this wasn't required but the
- 157 Board felt it was appropriate, and as this progresses it may be decided to publicize this consideration as
- 158 well. At this point, there are no terms or economics, however. Vice President Wallace asked if, during
- 159 the 2013 consideration, was there an equivalent set of information provided. Mr. Smith reported that in 2013, the proposal was more developed. The current request states that a proposal will be forthcoming
- 160
- 161 but is in development. JMA is asking if the Board will want to see this proposal.
- 162 Director Van Berkem asked what is received in a non-exclusive right to discuss if competition and
- 163 negotiation follows. President Jones stated that what JMA would receive is clarity around the
- 164 seriousness of the Board. There are other locations in Truckee that may provide a similar solution for the
- 165 client, but JMA is choosing to begin the process here. Director Van Berkem asked if economics won't be
- 166 discussed, what can be relayed to JMA. Mr. Smith stated that the good news is that a grocery retailer is
- 167 looking at this side of town. Whether the land would be leased or purchased is one of the many details
- 168 that could be discussed. JMA then can choose to continue to pursue this area, or may choose to
- 169 investigate other options.
- 170 Director Hetherington asked if staff will need significant time to become involved. Mr. Smith reported
- 171 that time would be required when JMA brings a proposal back to the Board. A land lease would require
- 172 less time. Director Hetherington stated that there has been a development push over the last few years
- 173 but she is concerned about stretching staff time too thin. If the property is not annexed, Director
- 174 Hetherington will not support the proposal and will not support committing staff time in any way. Clear
- 175 Capital is currently using a great deal of staff time.
- 176 Director Van Berkem stated that while he is in favor of a grocery store, if economics will not be
- 177 discussed it is not clear why the request needs to be addressed. Director Van Berkem was also
- 178 concerned that giving an entity an exclusive right to discuss may not be politically acceptable. Vice
- 179 President Wallace stated that this potentially could create suspicion with no reason to have it and may
- 180 require extensive explanation.
- 181 Mr. David Tiermen of JMA Ventures stated that Mr. Chapman, the individual proposing the grocery store
- 182 on airport property, had intended to be present. JMA was approached, and the thought was to formally
- 183 approach the District and the Board with the request in order to enter a discussion with the retailer. The
- request is around protocol or courtesy but not to begin negotiations. 184
- 185 Director Van Berkem stated that a confidentiality agreement could be made without giving an exclusive
- right to discuss. Staff could provide details around fiber optic cable, for instance. The retailer shouldn't 186
- 187 need to be identified. Director Hetherington asked about the need for, four acres. Mr. Tiermen reported 188
- that the facility itself would require approximately one acre and the remainder would be for parking.
- 189 Mr. Smith indicated that there are eight to nine acres available on Soaring Way. Director Hetherington 190 reiterated that annexation is critical.

- 192 President Jones stated that the Board rejected the exclusive right to negotiate but will open the line of
- 193 communication between JMA and staff to discuss the project. The consensus is to continue talking
- 194 about the potential for the property. A motion is not required.

#### 195 BANK OF THE WEST - CASH MANAGEMENT SERVICES (TAB 9):

- 196 Ms. Lyon presented resolution 2015-05. The resolution is in anticipation of processing payroll in-house,
- 197 and authorization is needed to utilize online banking services and ACH direct deposit.
- 198 Director Van Berkem asked if there will be a financial trade-off for leaving the currently used paycheck
- 199 company. Ms. Lyon replied that activity is conducted now through the Bank of the West Web Direct
- 200 program, and this is an additional feature.

MOTION #2 NOVEMBER-5-15: Director Hetherington motioned to approve Resolution 2015-05 Titled:
 Authorizing Participation with Bank of the West to Participate in Online Banking Services and ACH
 Payment Orders, and to waive the reading. Director Morrison seconded the motion. A roll call vote was
 taken. Director Van Berkem – yes, Director Hetherington – yes, Director Morrison – yes, Vice President
 Wallace – yes, President Jones – yes. The motion passed.

# 207 POLICY INSTRUCTION 308 – INVESTMENT POLICY REVIEW (TAB 10):

- 208 Ms. Lyon stated that this is a Policy that is reviewed annually. There are no changes. Director
- 209 Hetherington asked about TAB 10 B which shows that there is more than \$250,000 in CDs due to market
- value. Ms. Lyon replied that CDs were purchased for \$250,000 and they would need to be sold to realize
- the small gain. In the future, the Board could direct Ms. Lyon to not purchase the CD amount if this is a
- 212 problem. The CD itself is fully insured.
- President Jones suggested that Ms. Lyon continue to manage financial details and the Board continue to manage policy.

#### 215 **PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

- 216 MOTION #3 NOVEMBER-5-15: President Jones motioned to adopt Resolution 2015-06 titled: Adoption
- of District Investment Policy and Delegation of Investment Authority to District Treasurer, and to waive
- the reading. Director Van Berkem seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Director Van Berkem
- 219 yes, Director Hetherington yes, Director Morrison yes, Vice President Wallace yes, President
- 220 Jones yes. The motion passed.

# 221 APPROPRIATION LIMIT (TAB 11):

- Ms. Lyon reported that this is an annual process requiring approval yearly. Information is submitted to auditors and a report is prepared by them. Truckee Tahoe Airport District is under the appropriations
- 224 limit.

# 225 PUBLIC COMMENT: None

- 226 **MOTION #4 NOVEMBER-5-15:** Director Hetherington motioned to adopt Resolution 2015-06 Titled:
- 227 Establish Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2015-16, and to waive the reading. Vice President Wallace
- seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Director Van Berkem yes, Director Hetherington yes,
- 229 Director Morrison yes, Vice President Wallace yes, President Jones yes. The motion passed.

# 230 **REVISION OF POLICY INSTRUCTION (PI) 309 - DESIGNATION OF UNRESTRICTIVE NEW ASSETS (TAB 12):**

- 231 Ms. Lyon stated that in the staff report, prior years were reviewed and this is the proposed new draft
- with revised and new categories and designation levels. Mr. Smith indicated that there was a need to

- 233 develop categories that make sense to the public. Director Morrison asked what is needed to move
- 234 funds, and Mr. Smith reported that a vote of the Board is required.
- Ms. Hetherington stated that when she read it initially there were questions, but when staff explained,the changes make the report much clearer.

- 238 **MOTION #5 NOVEMBER-5-15:** Vice President Wallace motioned to adopt Policy Instruction 309 as
- 239 revised. Director Van Berkem seconded the motion. President Jones, Vice President Wallace, Directors
- 240 Van Berkem, Morrison and Hetherington voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

## 241 ACAT TERM SELECTION FOR PILOT SEATS (NO TAB):

- 242 Mr. Collinson reported that now that there is an entire Board presence, a poll needs to be conducted in
- order to determine who will have the one-year and three-year term for the ACAT pilot seats. A poll was
- then conducted. The results of the poll indicated that Mr. Polverari will hold the three-year term and
- 245 Mr. Golden will hold the one-year term.

## 246 PUBLIC COMMENT: None

- 247 **MOTION #6 NOVEMBER-5-15:** Director Hetherington motioned to appoint the ACAT term designations.
- 248 Vice President Wallace seconded the motion. Vice President Wallace, Directors Van Berkem, and
- 249 Hetherington voted in favor of the motion. President Jones and Director Morrison opposed the motion.
- 250 The motion passed (3-2).

# 251 WAREHOUSE OFFICE BUILDING FINAL BUDGET REVIEW AND APPROVAL (TAB 13):

- 252 Mr. Smith reported that the project budget has now been based on final bid results. Mr. Smith indicated
- 253 there is added value to the District, however costs are up. The number of years to recoup the District's
- 254 investment as well as the ROI is relatively unchanged.
- 255 President Jones asked for the detail of the \$450,000 added scope, specifically why was it added, who
- benefits and who is funding it, and another question was around the \$150,000 environmental mitigation
- discussion. Director Van Berkem asked if the scope improvements are only for the frontage, or if it will
- affect the entire length of the business park. Vice president Wallace asked why a Fire District Request
- 259 falls under Code Changes and Challenges.
- 260 Mr. Peter Beaupre, Project Manager for the Warehouse Building Project, reported that bids have been
- received for most of the work but 10% is still needed as final details such as water proofing, windows
- and roofing are being worked on now. President Jones asked if there was a contingency in the \$5.1
- 263 million total cost, and Mr. Beaupre replied that there was a design contingency within the \$5.1 million 264 figure, but it is not in the \$6.5 million figure because that represents completion with design, Therethere
- is still a construction contingency in the \$6.5 million figure. Director Morrison asked Mr. Beaupre how
- 266 much time is being spent on the project, and Mr. Beaupre replied that it is 3/4's of his time.
- 267 Mr. Beaupre reported on details of the final scope of the project. On the northern side of the building,
- 268 it's advisable to install snowmelt to avoid constant ice in the winter. Therefore, hydronic snowmelt has
- been added into the design. This system will be used to heat mostheat most of the sidewalk to
- eliminate snow shoveling and snow blowing work by staff as the priority of the terminal building should
- take precedence. Dripping canopies have also been also been addressed. Regarding building

- components, mechanical enhancements have been made. There is a new code requirement as of July 1,
- 273 2015 that requires infrastructure be provided for future electrical vehicle charging stations. Additional
- building square footage of 200 ft. has been added. More landscaping and a breakroom have been added
- as well.
- 276 President Jones asked again for more information regarding \$150,000 for Environmental/Mitigation. Mr.
- 277 Beaupre replied that this is an environmental and mitigation fee for traffic. Mr. Smith reported that the
- traffic impact fee for Truckee was \$107,000, and \$19,000 to Placer County. Director Van Berkem asked
- what is received for the fee, and Mr. Smith replied that the Town can use the money to widen roads, forexample.
- Director Van Berkem recalled hearing about towns not using the money on the area from where it was paid and wondered if there are restrictions. Mr. Smith stated that the County fee was \$135,000 but the
- 283 Town of Truckee traffic impact fee was less so the funds were deferred to them.
- 284 Mr. Beaupre reported that in February 2015, the initial impression was that the Master Plan CEQA study
- 285 would serve very well with some modification, but that has not been the case which has led to
- additional professional fees that are captured in this category as well. Mr. Smith indicated that there
- 287 were no CEQA Master Plan challenges.
- 288 Mr. Beaupre reported that the streetscape or frontage along Truckee Airport Road, including widening
- and drainage, is a large addition to the scope. This had not been considered in February, 2015. Mr.
- 290 Smith reported that about \$250,000 will be spent to improve the corner lot on Soaring Way. Mr.
- Beaupre stated that widening also includes crosswalks, truncated domes, concrete slopes and changing
- 292 utility boxes.
- I regards to other cost additions, Title 24 Energy Codes continue to evolve and the controls are a difficult part. Site landscape improvements were made in response to the County requests for more landscaping.
- 295 The Fire District required a remote fire department connection based on the site specifics. Code changes
- required footings that are 28 to 30 inches thick which is twice as deep as initially budgeted. Initially,
- there was no drainage design and the design that was eventually needed was much more complex than
- in the conceptual budget.
- 299 Mr. Beaupre reported that he and Mr. Smith met with the Tahoe Donner PUD, who initially wanted
- water to be tapped off of the main in Truckee Airport Road. They ultimately did not require this, but
- 301 now want a meter box installed with space for future meters for domestic and landscape water.
- 302 Mr. Beaupre described the difference between bids and estimates. Each contractor bidding must be
- 303 registered with the Department of Industrial Relations which involves a \$300 fee. Director Morrison
- asked how much more it would cost to have the building be a Public Works project compared to a
- private project. Mr. Beaupre indicated that a private project without prevailing wage would cost
- approximately 5.25 million dollars; one million and one quarter less than a Public Works project.
- President Jones suggested that the Board have a discussion about the cost and then a separatediscussion about the revenue side.

# 309 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE COST ASSOCIATION OF THE PROJECT: None

- 310 Director Morrison clarified that upon reviewing this agenda item prior to the meeting, there were many
- 311 questions but most have been answered around code changes and permitting issues. Director Morrison

- 312 asked if there are discretionary items that could be discussed. Mr. Beaupre replied that the only piece
- that could be discretionary is the hydronic snow melt, but there is a risk to not having this as a snow
- removal contractor would be needed and would need to put a priority on the building. Director
- Hetherington stated that with two feet of snow, a hydronic system would not be able to melt it. Mr.
- Beaupre stated that the system would in fact be able to keep up if it were on when the snow begins.
- 317 Director Hetherington suggested against negotiating a contract with a fixed rate lease in the future, and
- that this situation should be an example of what not to do again in the future. Director Morrison stated
- that the project is 20% over budget and cannot be allowed to continue to go over the budget. Mr.
- Beaupre agreed and reported that excavation and drainage went approximately 25% over budget.
- 321 Director Hetherington asked what the next 10% left to bid included and Mr. Beaupre listed roofing,
- 322 store fronts, windows, miscellaneous carpentry, steel doors and bathroom accessories. Other cost
- additions could be from added value items requested by staff such as conduit for future video, a future
- 324 long term parking gate and security. Risks would include weather and other delays to the schedule.
- Mr. Beaupre reported that sewer will be backfilled tomorrow, utilities next week and rebar the following week, weather dependent.
- Director Hetherington asked if the building for \$4,950,000 includes the contingency, and Mr. Beauprereplied yes.
- 329 President Jones moved the discussion to the revenue piece.
- 330 Director Van Berkem asked about the increase in the building cost and if Clear Capital rent has
- increased. Now that \$1.5 million more is being spent, where is this being recovered. President Jones
- indicated that the lease rate is fixed, independent of the District's costs and that not all of the \$1.5
- 333 million extra is related to Clear Capital.
- 334 Mr. Mark Wasley, financial consultant for the Warehouse Office Building, addressed the revenue side,
- and explained an increase in revenue will be coming from the rental car component. The Office Building
- 336 Feasibility Summary Cash Flow Report was reviewed. The addition of 1800 sq. ft. was a concept in
- February, 2015, and is now 2000 sq. ft. which allows for an additional \$200,000 over the 30 year term.
- Parking spaces increased from 48 to 56. Revenue was increased by 15% for the second rental car
- 339 operator.
- 340 Mr. Smith reported that a customer facility charge is not being charged but should be according to what was learned at the rental car conference he attended. Mr. Wasley and Mr. Smith are working on this. 341 342 Director Hetherington asked if the numbers indicate that over 30 years \$8 million will be made, or 343 \$270,000 per year. Currently \$115,000 is being received per year. Mr. Wasley replied that inflation over 344 time should be considered. The Board considered several income figures listed in the report. Director 345 Van Berkem asked if Enterprise, if they are the client, would be moving their location here from the 346 current Savemart location. If Enterprise moves here, the town will lose approximately \$4,000-5,000 a 347 year. Mr. Smith indicated that there are three businesses that will be interested in the space: Avis,
- 348 Enterprise and Hertz.
- 349 President Jones asked about the lease price on the market analysis and the cost to build the building.
- 350 Mr. Wasley replied that the lease rate was locked in with Clear Capital in February, 2015. President
- Jones stated that the lease was signed based on the market analysis in February, 2015 and asked what
- the new pay-off estimates are with the new costs of the building. Mr. Wasley stated that \$1 million

- 353 more than initial estimates should be made, but the rate of return over time is less. President Jones
- asked the Board if any changes need to be made or can the project move forward.
- Director Van Berkem asked if because the cost of the building and enhancements have increased, and the rental car business revenue is being relied on to cover the new extra expense, is this fair in relation to what Clear Capital rent should be. Mr. Wasley stated that revenue has been added from the second rental car business. The reality is that the agreement was signed not based on cost, but the market, and
- 359 the risk was taken on for the specific tenant. Mr. Smith reported that this is was discussed back in
- 360 February when the rate was set and within policy but he noted that this is not our normal construction
- 361 process but was necessary to meet the timeline.
- 362 Vice President Wallace stated that the decision was made under exceptional circumstances regarding
- the moving of jobs out of state, and the project should move forward confidently now. Director
- 364 Hetherington stated that a large amount of time has been spent by the Board as developers.
- 365 President Jones asked if an approval of the budget can move forward. Director Morrison indicated that
- 366 as decisions such as these are made, a great deal of time will inevitably be spent talking about things the
- Board has no control over. Vice President Wallace wished to approve but because of the lack of control,
- 368 wanted a check-in point, and if the project cannot stay on budget, an ad hoc committee should let the
- 369 Board know. President Jones stated that possibly a short monthly report could be incorporated onto the
- 370 agenda.

- 372 MOTION #7 NOVEMBER-5-15: President Jones motioned to approve the Warehouse Office Building
- 373 Final Budget. Director Van Berkem seconded the motion. President Jones, Vice President Wallace,
- 374 Directors Van Berkem, Morrison and Hetherington voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.
- President Jones requested a five Minute Recess taken at 7:12 PM. The Board went back into session at7:20 PM
- 377 BOARD GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

# 378 AIRCRAFT SURVEILLANCE FEASIBILITY REPORT (TAB 14):

- 379 Mr. Joe LaMacchia from NAVAID gave a slideshow overview of the Feasibility studies started in May,
- 380 2015. Several airports were visited in order to assess how flight safety could be improved in the Truckee
- airspace, allow published visual flight procedures, reduce community annoyance through improved
- 382 charted visual flight procedures, and to investigate technology.
- A control tower is required by the FAA in order for the airport to publish charted visual flight procedures on a 56 day cycle. This is available to every aircraft. The aircraft can be directed away from the highly
- impacted and annoyed communities as well as safety being increased.
- President Jones asked who influences the creation of visual procedures. Mr. LaMacchia replied that if
   the seasonal control tower moves forward, the airport would have some influence and would work
   specifically with the Standards and Procedures Director at Oakland Center. Director Hetherington asked
   what level of influence the airport has with the FAA. Mr. Mr. LaMacchia replied that the airport has at
- least a 50% foothold of influence on visual approaches. The FAA will want to work with the airport to
- 391 put in procedures that best help the community.

- 392 Director Van Berkem asked what authority the tower would have if charted visual flight procedures are
- in place. Mr. LaMacchia replied that the tower would dictate. President Jones stated that pilots will
- either follow directions or risk losing a license. The tower would give the authority to do a charted visual
- 395 approach.
- 396 Director Hetherington stated that if a control tower requests a pilot to land on Runway 2 but the pilot
- desires to land on Runway 11, a change can be requested. Director Morrison replied that the pilot must
- land on Runway 2 unless there is a good reason and the change is then requested, and there is only a
- 399 small percentage that would do this.
- Director Hetherington asked if the controllers are on contract or FAA employees. Mr. LaMacchia replied that the personnel in the tower are FAA certified contract employees. A key component of the seasonal tower is that a MOU must be generated with Tracon regardless. Director Morrison stated that the rules are black and white for pilots. Director Hetherington stated that the Board should be aware that the words being said are absolute, but in reality they are not
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- 405 President Jones asked if the visual approach would continue to be published off-season. Mr. Smith
- 406 replied that the procedure will still be there, and language around radar required and instruction would

407 be published. Vice President Wallace asked how this works with SOPs for Surf Air. Mr. Smith replied that

- 408 Surf Air typically files an IFR flight plan. There are only so many slots with normal separation, and
- 409 capacity will be controlled.
- 410 Mr. LaMacchia continued that an RFI was generated and a meeting is taking place at the Air Traffic
- 411 Control Association with the providers of seasonal control contract towers to obtain information
- including costs. In order to publish a visual charted flight procedure, the airport must comply with
- 413 specific criteria to ensure that safety is not compromised.
- 414 Mr. LaMacchia reported that East Hampton Airport has seasonal towers and they are using ANCP
- 415 surveillance manufacture. Experiences with and the benefits of seasonal tower operations were
- 416 reviewed. Denver Center is using WAM to control and separate aircraft to select mountainous airports.
- The end user, Rifle Airport, has provided feedback as opposed to the FAA. Further information obtained
- from East Hampton Airport was that the cost is approximately \$100,000 per month including personnel.
- 419 Benefits to the Airport include safety and monitoring of helicopters during peak season for noise
- 420 mitigation. East Hampton does not have an Airport Community Advisory Board and the airport is trying
- to handle a high volume of noise complaints.
- 422 President Jones referenced a Los Angeles Times article which reported that there is a shortage of
- 423 controllers in Los Angeles, and asked if the temporary towers have been able to obtain controllers. Mr.
- 424 LaMacchia replied that they are fully staffed in East Hampton.
- 425 Mr. LaMacchia has evaluated the ANPC Transponder Landing and Surveillance System and determined it
- 426 would be a suitable replacement for Truckee. The positives included a smaller hardware foot print,
- surveillance and interrogators approved by the FAA. A negative is that it does not have the ADSB and
- 428 UAT capabilities needed for certification by the FAA, and so a timeline is being proposed for upgrades.
- 429 The technology is very good. Director Hetherington reported that a recent study showed that 80% of
- interviewed pilots said that if there is a tower, they would be more likely to fly in by 20%.
- 431 President Jones stated that while they may be more likely to fly in, having a tower would limit the
- number of planes landing at the same time and could actually reduce the number of planes. If it is of

- value it should be pursued, but President Jones believed that during busy summer periods this wouldslow down the amount of traffic.
- 435 Mr. LaMacchia continued that FAA feedback indicated no significant negative impacts by end users or
  436 communities being served by the system. The cost was higher than expected, but the improved safety
  437 was worth the cost.
- 438 At Rifle, the airport reported safety has improved. The airport is very similar to Truckee in regards to 439 uncontrolled airspace and being Class E with no tower. The timeline took longer than anticipated. Rifle
- 440 invested \$57 million to improve airport runways so that they can become a world class general aviation
- 441 (GA) airport. There has been no direct community impact due to capacity increases, but the community
- 442 also has a very low noise complaint rate.
- 443 Mr. LaMacchia presented the May, 2015 timeline showing what has been completed. In conclusion,
- 444 improving safety and increasing capacity was the common theme from all who were spoken to. Next
- steps are to proceed with the market survey to gauge vendors, solutions and proposed costs; and to
- assess impacts and unintended consequences on operations by a seasonal tower and surveillance.
- 447 Coordinating and conducting meetings should occur with CalTrans, Oakland Center and the Western
- 448 Service Center. Upgrading the surveillance system would take approximately 12 months.
- 449 President Jones commented that a surveillance system is not necessary in order to set up a seasonal
- tower. President Jones does not think it is worth the expense until a campaign to test the waters around
- 451 impact is conducted. Director Morrison stated that Truckee is far from capacity at this time and many
- 452 more planes could be flying in than currently do, and a tower wouldn't affect traffic or capacity. Director
- 453 Hetherington reviewed a seasonal tower a few years ago for data points. Director Hetherington asked
- 454 what plan needs to be put into place for next summer.
- 455 President Jones would like the Board to remember that there is a growing noise problem and traffic
- 456 needs to be moved to less noise affected areas. A suggestion is to start with a tower and gather data,
- 457 but that is not a complete solution. Director Morrison commented that this is a project that staff has
- 458 been working on for a very long time and it is good to talk about this, but does not believe that Truckee
- 459 should have any tower as it will not affect the noise issue. The amount of money spent to combat
- 460 minimal complaints does not make fiscal sense.
- Director Van Berkem stated that there is confusion as to whether this is a combined study or not, and exactly what the goal for discussion is. Mr. Cooke stated that surveillance can be decoupled from the tower discussion. The Truckee MLAT system will need an upgrade when the mandate comes out and compliance will be required. A requirement for visual chart procedure is that there must be a tower and surveillance together. Mr. LaMacchia stated that this began as a surveillance upgrade study but when visiting Oakland Center, the question was asked as to what it would take to be on the 56 day cycle, and Oakland Center introduced the tower into the discussion.
- 468 Mr. LaMacchia stated that a UAT receiver would cost approximately \$250,000 to \$300,000 and the
- 469 control tower would cost a half million dollars. Director Van Berkem described the three options;
- 470 upgrade the current system, have a tower, or go after charter visual flight procedures. Charter visual
- flight procedures require having the first two options in place. Mr. LaMacchia outlined a certified system
- versus the existing system in the May report. Director Van Berkem asked for the sequencing of
- 473 conversations and the goal.

- 474 Vice President Wallace stated that there has probably been enough discussion around bringing the
- Board up to speed on the various pieces, and before future discussion the big picture needs to be
- apparent. Mr. LaMacchia stated that the sequence should be to get the market survey, do the RFI and
- 477 then to identify data points so that the playing field and costs can be identified. Vice President Wallace
- is not on board with the idea at this time, but Rifle can be looked to as an example for benefits and
- downsides from the community point of view.
- 480 Director Van Berkem asked for clarification as to what the issue will be around the current system in
- 481 2020. President Jones replied that non-ADSB equipped aircraft won't be visible on the District's system.
- 482 Director Morrison commented that data from the MLAT system, meaning all reports and analysis, are
- used extensively, and to maintain the current level of data reporting the system must remain up to date.

# 485 **STAFF AND BOARD MEMBER TRAINING AND CONFERENCE REPORTS:**

- 486 Director Hetherington stated that she attended the AAAE Airports Going Green Conference. Director
- 487 Hetherington reported that she will give a more in-depth analysis at the December Board meeting,
- 488 which will include the subject of social responsibility, sustainability and the environment. But quickly
- 489 mentioned that managed growth needs to be committed to and some exciting things can be
- 490 accomplished. Director Hetherington stated the conference was excellent.
- 491 Mr. Smith state that there will be an ATTCA report in December, and the Rental Car Conference in
- 492 Austin was attended and there was optimism about the second rental car option. A ramp facility fee is
- 493 being reviewed for the resort shuttle, and this has never been charged but would allow for the
- 494 distribution of safety information and other pamphlets.
- Ms. Lyon reported that the CSDA conference was attended and a Special District Transparency
   Certificate of Excellence was accepted. There were very good speakers and break-out sessions.

#### 497 **PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

# 498 TAHOE CITY HELIPORT DESIGN REVIEW (TAB 15):

- 499 Mr. Smith reported that permitting can begin, the total cost of the project being under \$300,000. The
- 500 heliport design was presented. The design will handle multiple helicopters and is for emergency service 501 only. It will be gated and not charted.

# 502 PUBLIC COMMENT: None

#### 503 GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT (TAB 16):

#### 504 Master Plan

505 Mr. Smith reported that the Master Plan draft will be presented for approval at the January meeting.
 506 The MND can be viewed online through the Master Plan link on the website.

# 507 Hangar 3 – Progress Update

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- 509 Mr. Smith reported that the project is on hold pending the managed growth discussion. An impact
- 510 analysis is available in the Demand Driver survey.

#### 511 Sponsorship Committee

512 Mr. Smith reported that the next Sponsorship Committee meeting has been moved to November 13, 513 2015.

#### 514 Martis Valley West Parcel Specific Plan Draft EIR

515 Mr. Smith reported that the draft EIR was delivered. The Board comments, submitted a few years ago,

are included in it. A representative from Sustainable Community Advocates is currently reviewing the

517 document and will be asked for an opinion around effective comments. Vice President Wallace asked if

the representative is a neutral party on this particular project and that there are consulting firms not

- 519 based in the area that may offer a more unbiased review. Director Hetherington stated that the
- 520 comment period ends December 2, 2015. The Board consensus was that it's okay for Director Wallace
- and Director Van Berkem to meet and report back to the Board.
- 522 Mr. Smith reported that the Martis Valley West Parcel representatives have requested to meet with
- 523 Director Van Berkem and Vice President Wallace again. Vice President Wallace was concerned about the
- 524 public appearance of meeting with them alone and Director Hetherington agreed. Vice President
- 525 Wallace replied that if the meeting occurs, a report could be given at the next public meeting.

#### 526 McKenzie Claim Update

527 Mr. Collinson reported that the claim has been settled. Half of the settlement was paid by ACE and the

528 other half by National Union Fire Insurance Company of EAA.

#### 529 Alder Hill Property

530 Mr. Smith reported that the District has been asked if there would be a desire to purchase the property.

531 Director Van Berkem stated that if the property is listed but the District does not purchase it, the District

532 will still have an easement. Mr. Smith confirmed this. The property will be difficult to develop. Director

533 Hetherington stated that if it is for sale for a real price, it should not be ignored. Mr. Smith was not sure

534 if it will be listed, however. Board agreed for staff to bring it back to them if the property is listed.

#### 535 Board Offsite Annual Retreat

536 Mr. Smith asked the Board to come to a consensus for weeks in January or February for the Annual 537 Retreat. The week of January 26, 2016 was chosen.

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## 538 Managed Growth Workshop Update

- 539 Mr. Smith distributed the binders that will be used on November 12, 2015.
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- 541 **PUBLIC COMMENT: None**
- 542 President Jones reported that the annual General Manager Evaluation is underway, and the Board will543 have the self-evaluation by the end of next week.

#### 544 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

- 545 **MOTION #8 NOVEMBER-5-15:** Director Van Berkem motioned to adjourn the meeting. President Jones
- 546 seconded the motion. President Jones, Vice President Wallace, Directors Van Berkem, Morrison and
- 547 Hetherington voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.