

The following is a condensed version of the TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT AIRPORT COMMUNITY ADVISORY TEAM (ACAT) regular meeting held **Tuesday, December 10, 2019** in the Truckee Tahoe Airport District Community Room A, located at the Truckee Airport, 10356 Truckee Airport Road, Truckee, California.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 9:15 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Leigh Golden  
Member Joe Lorenz  
Member David Diamond  
Member Kat Rohlf  
Member Larson  
Member Stacy Caldwell

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Hardy Bullock, Director of Aviation and Community Services  
Mr. Marc Lamb, Community Relations Manager  
Mr. David Van Quest, Aviation and Community Services Associate  
Ms. Lauren Tapia, HR Manager/District Clerk

VISITORS PRESENT: 1

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS: Mr. Lamb noted the Santa Fly-In event, which is taking place Saturday, December 14, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT ITEMS:

- Minutes: November 12, 2019 – Regular Meeting

**MOTION #1:** Chair Golden moved to approve the minutes from the November 12th meeting minutes. Member Diamond seconded the motion. Chair Golden, Members Diamond, Rohlf, Caldwell, Lorenz and Larson voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

**INSURANCE BASICS FOR AVIATORS**

Member Lorenz introduced the topic regarding liability insurance on aircraft, specifically rental aircraft operating on the airfield. Mr. Bullock provided background on the business relationship between Sierra Aero, the District, the airframe 01G and the new Diesel Aircraft. The information provided by Mr. Bullock included details regarding the lease back agreement with Sierra Aero, insurance policy information on the aircraft(s), and contract details between Sierra Aero and the District. Mr. Ian Webster, with Bramar Associates, additional information regarding the insurance policies on the rental aircraft with Sierra Aero, and the associated policy payouts. Mr. Webster also explained different scenarios, which included “direct negligence” and how that might affect payouts on the plane, as well as need for renters to also have renters insurance. Mr. Webster noted several solutions to mitigate coverage gaps as most renters insurance have caps of \$200,000. Discussion ensued amongst the Members on the topic at hand, and consensus was made for staff to investigate ways to develop an informational brochure regarding renter’s

insurance, the potential gaps of coverage that might occur, and solutions to mitigate those risks (i.e.: subrogation waivers).

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. Cooke and Mr. Covey both made public comments regarding the idea of the District subsidizing blanket subrogation policies for aircraft renters.

**Break:** 10:30 AM – 10:38 AM

**SAFE HAVEN FOR PILOTS – POTENTIAL PROJECT BY MEMBER DIAMOND (TAB 02)**

Member Diamond reviewed his project proposal which aims to link stranded pilots with overnight hangar space for their aircraft, and lodging for themselves and/or their passengers. Multiple members shared concerns regarding the Safe Haven for Pilots program in relation to insurance, homeowners insurance and general liability of the District acting as an agent for the project. Discussion ensued regarding weather information, pilot responsibility, and creating a quick list of information to provide to pilots/passengers regarding lodging, vehicle, and overnight hangar rental options. There was member consensus for Staff to conduct additional research on the project and to provide an update at an upcoming meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**HOME BUYER GUIDE – POTENTIAL PROJECT BY MEMBER DIAMOND (TAB 03)**

Member Diamond reviewed his project proposal which provides detailed information regarding the District, areas affected by flight operations, airport noise mitigation, noise complaint processes, property easement information, and conversation tips to have with Relators/surrounding potential neighbors regarding community noise (road, rail, and aircraft). Positive comments were discussed regarding the Guide being a comprehensive information guide on the District, but concern was shared regarding the potential unintended consequences of the guide (i.e. persuading homebuyers from purchasing homes, difficulty for homeowners to sell their homes) as well as who will be in charge of disseminating the publication to its intended audience. Mr. Bullock noted that the District already has several publications that answer the many subject covered in the potential Home Buyer Guide that are available on the District website. There was member consensus to have staff forward those documents to the ad hoc committee, as well as inviting some real estate professionals to an ad hoc committee meeting to explain the buying and selling process and how the Airport fits into that. Member Caldwell, Larson and Diamond requested to be placed on the Ad Hoc committee.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**MOTION #2:** Member Diamond moved to form the Home Buyer Guide Ad Hoc Committee with the following committee members: Diamond, Larson and Caldwell. Member Golden seconded the motion. Chair Golden, Members Diamond, Rohlf, Caldwell, Lorenz and Larson voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

**DISTRICT HANGAR INCENTIVE PROGRAM REVAMP (TAB 04)**

Mr. Bullock reviewed the Hangar Incentive Program Revamp which has been updated with various member comments that were provided to him from the previous meeting in November. The program revamp would remove the various tiered options and only allow for a single option to be given. The

reviewed incentive would incentivize aviators to refrain from flying between the hours of 10:00 PM – 7:00 AM, which is aligned with the CA noise standard and strongly promotes the District’s commitment to being a good neighbor. Discussion ensued regarding the lack of an emergency waiver in the program, as well as the fining process of the program. Mr. Bullock noted that Staff will refining the program further and thanked the Members for their input.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

Member Caldwell left meeting at 12:24 PM.

#### **STAFF, MEMBER AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Member Diamond stated that the Emergency Landing Map project is underway and additional information will be presented to the Members at the January meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

#### **ADJOURN**

**MOTION #3:** Member Larson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Member Diamond seconded. Chair Golden, Members Diamond, Rohlf, Lorenz and Larson voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

At 12:32 PM the December 10, 2019 regular meeting of the Truckee Tahoe Airport Community Advisory Committee adjourned.