



Gillespie Field Development Council



A Joint Powers Agreement Between the City of El Cajon and County of San Diego
Airport Administration Building ♦ 1960 Joe Crosson Drive ♦ El Cajon, California 92020-1236 ♦ (619) 956-4800

Phyllis Trombi
Council Chair

Bob Davison
Vice Chair

Duane Barto
Councilmember

James Sly
Councilmember

Barry Bardack
Councilmember

MINUTES OF THE GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL JANUARY 18, 2023

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>
Barry Bardack	Jamie Abbott
Phyllis Trombi	Cathe Johnson
James Sly	Lorie Maniss
Bob Davison	

For others present, attendee log is available in the Airports Administration Building.

1. ROLL CALL

Council Chair Barry Bardack called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmembers Phyllis Trombi, James Sly, and Bob Davison were in attendance. Councilmember Duane Barto was absent.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Chair Barry Bardack led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA

There were two public comments from stakeholders regarding property lease policies and drainage concerns.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Phyllis Trombi motioned to approve the November 16, 2022 minutes. Bob Davison seconded the motion; motion passed.

5. COUNCIL CHAIR REPORT

The election was held to install the new Chair and Vice Chair to the GFDC. Council Chair Barry Bardack nominated Vice Chair Phyllis Trombi to serve as Chair. Councilmember Bob Davison seconded the motion. Phyllis Trombi nominated Bob Davison to serve as Vice Chair. Barry Bardack seconded the motion; both motions passed unanimously. Councilmember Phyllis Trombi took over as chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Chair Trombi provided an update from the East County Economic Development Council meeting regarding the Bradley/67 interchange bridge. Funding has been received for the project and the bridge is estimated for completion in 2025.

6. AIRPORTS DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Jamie Abbott acknowledged the Public Comment speakers and would meet with them regarding their concerns. Mr. Abbott announced the hiring of two new Operations Coordinators to fully staff that department. He then updated the council that Anne Baldwin, Project Manager for Real Estate, had recently retired. County Airports is currently working on the recruitment for that position.

Mr. Abbott also informed the council that Airports is working on the new fiscal year budget and will bring updates to the meetings as they are received.

Chairperson Trombi requested that the council receive an update on the Airport Enterprise Fund in addition to the budget.

7. REAL PROPERTY UPDATE

Jamie Abbott stated that the requested informational topic of the County policy for lease extensions and negotiations of Airport Property be discussed at a later date as the Real Property department was currently in a transition period due to the vacancy of their Project Manager.

Chairperson Trombi expressed concern that the absence of this position does not cause further delays with the 70 Acre project.

Council member Davison requested that the policy for obtaining a 50-year lease and the criteria for such a lease be provided at the next meeting.

There were several public comments also regarding the leases and reversionary interest.

8. VEHICLE SERVICE ROAD UPDATE

Airport Manager Cathe Johnson gave an update with visuals on the three construction phases of the Western section of the Vehicle Service Road, including staging area. At the request of council, she presented the pedestrian walkway for West transient aircraft parking. The Vehicle Service Road construction project plans completed in September and reviewed with stakeholders in October has received FAA grant funding approval. Stakeholders were notified at the beginning of January, staging and mobilization for the project would begin in approximately 30 days. Once mobilized and staged, the project is estimated to take 3 ½ months, weather permitting. Anyone with impacts may park their aircraft on either the East or West aprons at no charge, as long as they give their tail numbers to Airports Administration. Once the construction schedule is received from Granite Construction, a stakeholder meeting will be scheduled to review the project.

There was a public comment regarding the pedestrian route to the cafe, as well as commenting on drainage concerns on leased property.

9. AIRPORT MANAGER UPDATE

Cathe Johnson presented the Airport Manager Update. Operation counts for the month of November totaled 11,311 and December totaled 11,127. Total operations for 2022 were 148,403. In November, with 11,311 operations, there were 83 noise complaints from one household. Four of these complaints were during the Voluntary Noise Abatement hours. In December, with 11,127 operations, there were 80 noise complaints from three households. Only one complaint was during the Voluntary Noise Abatement hours.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COUNCIL FOR ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING FUTURE GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETING

The following topics were requested to be added to the March agenda:

- Policy for lease extensions and negotiations of Airport Property.
- 50 year lease limitations

Councilmember James Sly requested that a process for follow up on recurring issues and action items be implemented for future meetings.

11. OLD BUSINESS

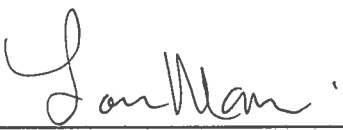
Chair Trombi requested an update on the 17/35 reclassification. Cathe Johnson stated that the ALP changes have been submitted to the FAA. The FAA comments have been addressed and the County is still awaiting response.

12. NEW BUSINESS

James Sly wanted to thank Chair Trombi and other members from the East County Economic Development Council for their support in helping to get the Bradley/67 interchange bridge project moving forward.

13. ADJOURN

Council Chair Phyllis Trombi adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m. The next meeting of the Gillespie Field Development Council will be at 6 p.m., Wednesday, March 15, 2023, in City Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon.

By: 

Lorie Maniss, Office Support Specialist