

**Snohomish County Airport Commission Regular Meeting
January 27, 2022**

6:00 pm

****Airport Commission meeting will be held via Microsoft Teams due to COVID-19 Pandemic**

Attendees

Council Member

Alicia Crank / Business Community (Chair)

Joseph Nguyen / Council District #2 (Secretary)

Matthew Faletti / Business Community

Valerie Hirshman / Airport Tenant

Peter Bro / Council District #5

Rosemary Wander / Council District #3

Snohomish County Airport Staff

Arif Ghouse – Airport Director

Pete McGuire – Airport Deputy Director

Kristin Banfield – Public Information Officer

Terry Ryan – Snohomish County Aerospace

Economic Development Director

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Airport Commission was called to order by Chair, Alicia Crank, at 6:02 PM. Roll call and council members present introduced themselves.

Airport Reports

→ Pete McGuire provided airport updates:

- Update on Propeller Terminal
 - Flight updates:
 - Currently 12 daily departures on peak days
 - Alaska starting 737 service to Phoenix (Feb) and Las Vegas (March)
 - 5G Update:
 - Most commercial flights to PAE were cancelled to mitigate 5G interference
 - Issue: Installation of 5G networks near airports may interfere with some airplanes' radio altimeters
 - Altimeters used to land in low visibility environments
 - FAA prohibiting certain airplanes (including E175's) from landing in low visibility environments until their altimeters have been approved
 - Most Boeing & Airbus airplane have been approved
- Fixed-base operator (FBO) - Propeller Aero Services FBO sales complete
- Alaska Air just signed 10-year lease of 46,000 sq. ft C-1 hanger
- New Leases: ZeroAvia
 - Green aviation company producing hydrogen electric propulsion systems
 - Leased office space accommodating 20-30 people
- Staff update:
 - Plans to hire additional staff to accommodate anticipated growth

→ Arif Ghouse shared updates:

- WA State to recommend 6 airports around the state to absorb additional traffic (passenger + cargo) demand until a new airport is built
 - PAE is one of the 6 airports to accommodate (passenger + cargo)
 - Still has to pass through state legislation

→ Michael Tubridy from L&B provided updates on the Paine Field Airport Master Plan

- Completed:
 - Existing conditions/inventory
 - Aviation forecast
 - Facility requirements
- On-Going:
 - Alternatives development
 - Alternative evaluation
 - Environmental considerations
- Around the Corner:
 - Refined alternatives development
 - Refined alternatives evaluation
- Mike T. shared the 2022 Master Plan Schedule and Milestones
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→ Kara Underwood - Airport Operations Overview

- FAA Part 139 Compliance
 - Airfield inspections
 - Conduct training for staff/users - every 12 calendar months
 - Emergency plan
 - Airfield inspections
 - Airfield driving
 - Obstructions
 - Wildlife
 - NAVIDS
 - Airport Condition reporting
 - Record keeping
 - Updating of FAA Airport Certification Manual (ACM)
- TSA 1542 Compliance
 - New security requirements
 - Works with tenants/users to meet new requirements
 - Badging
 - Inspections
 - Reporting
 - Conduct yearly training
 - Update of airport security program
- Hanger Rentals
 - 549 based aircraft
 - 294 hangers and 55 storage units
 - T hangers (new and old)
 - L hangers
 - 45' hangers
 - 50' hangers
 - 60' hangers
- Emergency Response

- Work with fire/sheriff to secure the scene
- Coordinate airfield impacts: tower, tenants
- Work with FAA/NTSB
- Badging
 - All tenants/users who need airfield access need to be badged
- Snow
 - Reporting of airfield conditions (NOTAMs)
 - Conduct friction testing
 - Opening/closing surfaces
 - Keeps event detail (snow log)
 - Tracks weather
 - Communication with tenants, ATC, airport departments, airlines
- Construction
 - Work with airport engineering/consultant on design, airfield impacts, and haul routes
 - Tenant/user notification of impacts/closures
 - Open/close airfield surfaces
- Paine Field Noise Program
 - Voluntary noise program
 - Traffic area map - lets users understand our noise abatement program
 - Maps provided to flight schools, place in business and pilot lounges and website
 - Noise tracking
 - Receive noise concerns from the public
 - Online form or hotline
 - Web portal to file/track concerns
 - Track within 10 miles
 - Publish monthly report

→ Kevin Latschaw - Airport Engineering Department Update/Overview

- Engineering Dept Responsibilities
 - Project management
 - Construction contract administration
 - Apply for grants
 - Monitor and ensure grant compliance
 - In-house project design
 - Consultant management
 - Airport staff support
 - Reviewing tenant improvement proposals
 - Maintain airport capital improvement program
 - Record keeping
- Airport Capital Improvement Planning
 - General and ongoing planning
 - State and federal capital improvement plan coordination
 - Tying into annual budget
 - Principles of prioritization
 - Safety and or standards
 - Preservations
 - Accommodate future growth/development
- Upcoming ACIP Projects
 - 2022 High-speed snow plow
 - 2022 Taxi lane Echo Reconstruct
 - 2022-2023 Ongoing Master Plan

- 2023 Inner Terminal Ramp Rehab
- 2023 East GA Apron Rehab
- 2025-2027 Main Runway Rehab
- Pavement Management Plan
 - Pavement inspection
 - Condition indexing
- Upcoming Landside Projects
 - New Tenant and Building Signage Standards
 - Old YMCA Building Demolition

Administrative Matters

Commission motioned to approve the October 28, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion was approved.

Public Comment

Public comment was given by Dan Davids, Riaz Ahmed Khan, and John Rotunda.

Commission Reports/Comments

None

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.