

**LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE (LAXAAC)**

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 9, 2022 VIRTUAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by John Wahlert. A Quorum was established.

IN ATTENDANCE: John Wahlert, Chair (Culver City); Luciano Nocera, Vice Chair (Culver City); Sergio Paz (Lennox); William Cumming (Marina Del Rey); Carl Jacobsen (El Segundo); Guido Fernandez (Hawthorne); Jim Withrow (Inglewood); Danna Cope (Westchester)

LAWA STAFF: Sarah Cash, Harold Johnson

EXCUSED ABSENCE:

INTRODUCTIONS

None

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS AND PUBLIC

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes by John Wahlert, moved by Sergio Paz, 2nd Luciano Nocera.

GUEST SPEAKER

Ida Meisami, Acting Sr. Civil Engineer, LA Sanitation presented to the committee on the Imperial Highway Green Infrastructure Project. This project will work with local stakeholders, including Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), City of El Segundo, City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation, local resident and community-based organizations to develop a plan to beautify the imperial Highway median from California street to Vista del Mar, expand recreational opportunities, and capture, reuse, and recycle storm water runoff from the adjacent neighborhoods.

Some features of this project will be to add 30 new trees to the Imperial Hwy median, provide enhanced water quality benefits to the local community by reducing and removing storm water pollutants before reaching Dockweiler State Beach.

Questions and inquires can be submitted to san.safe-cleanwater@lacity.org with subject line: Imperial Hwy Green Infrastructure Project. Alternatively, leave a voicemail at (800) 773-2489, press # and request to be directed to Mo English.

OFFICIER'S REPORT

- Requesting status update on in-person meetings
- Requesting status update on appointing new members
- Motion to write a letter of support for the LA Sanitation Imperial Hwy Project by John Wahlert, moved by Sergio Paz, 2nd Luciano Nocera. Committee votes unanimously to write a letter of support for LA Sanitation Imperial Hwy project. Management will mail

MANAGER'S REPORT

- LAWA staff sent letters to the offices of Los Angeles city and county political leadership to make local leaders aware of the shortages of community representation on the LAX Area Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee is awaiting responses

- Spirit Airlines unveiled its first automated self-bag drop with biometric photo-matching system at LAX. Self-bag drop systems allow for self-service so guests can check bags directly without working with an agent. LAWA also is piloting a similar self-bag drop solution in the Tom Bradley International Terminal
- The LAX Consolidated Rent-A-Car facility, which will become the largest in the world once open, achieved a very major milestone this week as the Ready Return/Idle Storage buildings were handed over to rental car tenants to begin building out their customer spaces. Five rental car companies representing 13 brands will be housed in the ConRAC facility, and once open, will remove 3,200 daily rental car shuttles from the surrounding roads and Central Terminal Area – helping reduce traffic congestion and free up critical curbside boarding areas
- The United Airlines LAX Technical Operations Center project has earned LEED Gold for its sustainable design and features. While the plan originally called for meeting LEED Silver standards, the team at United and LAWA went above and beyond and were able to capture a Gold rating for this impressive facility
- LAWA's Chief Human Capital and Equity Officer Louis Gutierrez will participate on the Airport Council International-North America's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Working Group.
- This group will bring together every facet from the airport industry for discussions and action on this important topic. Having Louis as part of this effort will help inform our work here at LAWA to build the most inclusive and equitable workplace possible
- The big word all over Los Angeles is the Summit of the Americas, which is being held in Los Angeles through Friday. President Biden flew into LAX yesterday to head the meeting. Several members of LAWA's executive team – (including Becca Doten, Mike Christensen, Grant Firestone and myself) – met yesterday with the Minister of Trade and Industry from the Republic of Panama, Federico Alfaro Boyd. They shared the role that LAX plays in regional connections with the Americas, including Panama City, and highlighted LAWA's robust cargo operations and \$15 billion modernization program. In addition to the minister, the LAWA executives met with Franklin Morales, Commercial Counselor for the Embassy of Panama in the United States, and Gilda Garcia, Consul General of Panama in Los Angeles
- On Sunday, LAX set a new post-pandemic record for passenger traffic with a total of 97,712 guests at the TSA screening areas. When you add in airline crew members, we passed 100,000 people at the checkpoints on Sunday for the first time since early 2020 – a major milestone in our recovery
- The HireLAX Apprenticeship Readiness Program celebrated the graduation of its 12th cohort. Since its beginning, the program has placed 73% of its 271 graduates into construction careers, with a majority of graduates starting as union apprenticeship participants, earning more than \$10 million in wages. Orientation for the next cohort is this Saturday, June 11. If you GOOGLE Hire LAX this program comes up first – it's at the top of the list
- Progress photos from the month of May for the Landside Access Modernization Program are now online. There are many great photos, at <https://www.lawa.org/transforminglax/photo-gallery>
- There are about 128 students registered for the upcoming LAX Aviation Careers Education Academy that runs from June 20 to 24. It will be four days in person and for a select group of students, a Friday in-person session
- The 128 registered students represent 37 cities. The top three cities of residence are Los Angeles, El Segundo and Lancaster. The students residing in Los Angeles span from South Los Angeles through Venice. For more info, visit www.lawa.org/ace

DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE ACTION

- In person meetings: We are following the guidance from City Hall and how their meetings are currently being conducted. Outside entities are to still meet virtually

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS

- AdHoc subcommittees review: the committee agreed to update the env, trans, rules & safety, and master plan subcommittees. Will remove focus on these issues but maintain committees and appoint point of contact for each. Will allow Noise Roundtable to manage noise issue. Body will continue to review and make recommendations
- Requesting Roundtable rep to present summary on Noise Symposium

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion on when to go dark. Based on passed records, summer vacations affect attendance. Several members will be out in August 2022. John Wahlert motions to cancel August 11, 2022 meeting and resume in September 2022, moved by Sergio Paz, 2nd by Danna Cope

Committee votes unanimously to go dark in August 2022 and resume meetings in September 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Cash

Next Meeting: Tentatively scheduled for Thursday, July 14, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.