

**MINUTES OF THE AIR CARRIER SERVICE - MARKETING - COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**January 12, 2021 - 2:00 PM**

**SPECIAL AND URGENT NOTICE ELIMINATING IN-PERSON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT MONTEREY PENINSULA AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS**

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

*The meeting was called to order at 2:03 PM. Director Sawhney, Director Sabo and Executive Director La Pier were in attendance.*

**B. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

*None.*

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*None.*

**D. REGULAR AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS**

Discussion 1. Air Service Update

*Executive Director La Pier reviewed the announcement by Allegiant Airlines of non-stop seasonal service from MRY to Portland, Oregon beginning May 28, 2021 and continuing through the end of August. He indicated the introductory fares would be as low as \$49.00. Discussion ensued regarding the market potential for non-stop Portland service. La Pier indicated that the information shared by his air service consultant indicated that the Portland area is the number one destination for people relocating from the Monterey region.*

*Director Sabo asked when the new service would be available to book. Director Sawhney indicated that she had looked at the Allegiant reservation system and it appeared the new service was already available to book. Executive Director La Pier agreed but pointed out that the press release indicated the new service would be available to book on January 13, 2021.*

*Additional general discussion occurred regarding air service from all carriers. Executive Director La Pier reviewed the current airline schedule with the committee. Director Sabo asked how our market was performing in comparison to other markets. La Pier indicated MRY was performing comparably to the industry in as much as passenger traffic was steady at approximately 35-40% of pre-pandemic*

enplanement levels. La Pier commented that while seat capacity was down during this period the market continues to perform on target with the balance of the industry.

Director Sabo requested that staff monitor and report inbound Air Carrier diversions or cancellations due to low ceiling and visibility weather conditions.

Executive Director La Pier informed of the marketing efforts related to new SEA service. Director Sabo suggested that this might be a good time to use print media at The Californian and Carmel Pine Cone to get the word out about this new service.

Regarding new service by Allegiant to Portland, Director Sabo inquired as to whether Allegiant would receive an MRY waiver of fees for this new service. Executive Director La Pier informed that no subsidies would be offered to Allegiant and none were requested.

Review 2. Passenger Comment Cards

There were no passenger comment cards received during the period.

Review 3. Noise Complaint Report

The Noise Complaint log was reviewed by the committee. Director Sabo and Executive Director La Pier reviewed La Pier's meeting with representatives of NorCal regarding concerns expressed by the Pasadera community. Sabo indicated he was pleased with the understanding reached with NorCal and believed it would be beneficial and would better address the community concerns.

Director Sawhney asked about the continued reference on the log to complaints that were received and noted. La Pier indicated his staff was directed to be more specific as to the research done in response to the complaint received. He did however indicate that many of the complaints are of a nature that cannot be researched as thoroughly for various reasons including time of day.

Director Sabo requested that on the Noise Report the weather conditions at the time of the complaint be noted to clarify if aircraft were arriving under Visual or Instrument rules.

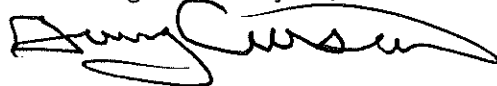
Discussion 4. Schedule Next Meeting

Scheduling of the next meeting was deferred.

## E. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:49 PM.

Minutes Approved at the  
Meeting of January 20, 2021



Gary Cursio, Chair

ATTEST



Michael La Pier, AAE  
District Secretary