

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DECEMBER 20, 2023 - 10:00 AM

**HELD AT: Sand City – City Hall Council Chambers
1 Pendergrass Way, Sand City, CA**

NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THIS SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Members of the public may attend the Special Board Meeting in person and request to speak to the Board when the Chair calls for public comment. Members of the public will have up to 3 minutes to provide oral comments, pursuant to Board policy.

Remote comments by members of the public will not be accepted for this Special Meeting, except in writing as outlined below.

Members of the public who desire to make a written public comment can send an email to info@montereyairport.com and include the following subject line: "Public Comment Item # (insert the agenda item number relevant to your comment)." Written comments should be received by 8:00 AM on the day of the meeting. All submitted comments will be provided to the Board for consideration and will be compiled as part of the record.

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Special Meeting of the Monterey Peninsula Airport Board of Directors was called to order at 10:14 AM. Chair Sawhney, Director Gaglioti, Director Pick, Director Leffel, and Director Miller were present. The following staff were present: Executive Director La Pier, District Counsel Huber, and Acting Board Secretary Adams.

District Counsel Huber asked the board to consider an emergency amendment to today's agenda to add a second item to Closed Session. The second Closed Session item came to the attention of Airport staff subsequent to the posting of the agenda for today's meeting. Pursuant to Gov. Code 54954.2, Chair Sawhney is requesting that the Board add Item D.2, Potential Litigation, Pursuant to Gov. Code 54957.6(b)(2), the board will meet with the Executive Director and General Counsel related to potential exposure to litigation: one case. In addition, the Board may add Item B.2 for Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items if they so choose, but it is not required for a Special Meeting.

Director Leffel moved to add Items D.2 and B.2, as described by District Counsel Huber, to today's agenda. Director Pick seconded. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote of 5-0.

B.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

District Counsel Huber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B.2 PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Steve McDougall, a member of the Public, made Public Comment regarding his recent experience with American Airlines personnel at the Monterey Regional Airport.

C. REGULAR AGENDA - ACTION ITEMS

Approve 1. Seating of New Chair and Chair Pro Tem

Chair Sawhney read a statement related to a confidential investigation.

Chair Sawhney announced she will not attend the regular board meeting in January so the seating of the Chair will be done today.

Chair Sawhney distributed her personal summary notes of the December 13, 2023 Closed Session to the Board. Director Leffel commented that these notes relate to an item the Board agreed to keep Closed. She asked District Counsel Huber if they were now Open. Counsel Huber answered they are not Open unless they are read. He advised the notes could be pulled back or the Board could waive Attorney Client Privilege and choose to make the item public. Chair Sawhney pulled back the notes that she had distributed.

District Counsel Huber introduced Item C.1 stating that, pursuant to the Governance Manual, the Chair is seated at the first regular meeting of each calendar year. The Board requested this matter be moved to the next meeting of the Board. Accordingly, the Board will consider early removal of the Chair and seating the Chair Pro Tem as the Chair of the Board. In addition, the Board will consider seating a new Chair Pro Tem, which according to the Governance Manual would typically be from the next numerical District, in this case District #4, which is Director Miller.

Director Pick motioned to seat Director Leffel, current Chair Pro Tem, as Chair. Director Gaglioti seconded. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 4-0 with Chair Sawhney abstaining.

Chair Leffel motioned to seat Director Miller as Chair Pro Tem. Director Pick seconded. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote of 5-0.

D. CLOSED SESSION

1. **QUARTERLY GOAL UPDATE** [Government Code Section 54957(b)]. The Board will meet with the Executive Director and District Counsel to consider the quarterly goal update related to the following position: Executive Director.
2. **POTENTIAL LITIGATION.** Pursuant to Gov. Code 54957.6(b)(2), the board will meet with the Executive Director and General Counsel related to potential exposure to litigation: one case.

There was no Public Comment.

The board entered Closed Session at 10:33 AM.

The board reconvened to Open Session at 12:25 PM. There was no reportable action taken.

E. ADJOURNMENT

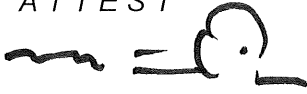
The meeting adjourned at 12:25 PM.

Approved at the
Meeting of January 17, 2024



Mary Ann Leffel, Chair

ATTEST

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael La Pier". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "M".

Michael La Pier
District Secretary