

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON FLYING CLOUD AIRPORT ZONING ORDINANCE**

The Joint Airport Zoning Board for the Flying Cloud Airport (FCM) is developing an *airport zoning ordinance* for land uses around FCM. The *Draft FCM Zoning Ordinance* limits the height of structures and vegetation and prohibits certain land uses in an area extending approximately 2 miles from the outer boundaries of FCM. The zoning is being conducted as required by Minn. Stat. 360.061 – 360.074 and Minn. Rules 8800.1200 and 8800.2400. Maps that are part of the proposed *Zoning Ordinance* show the precise boundaries for application of the *Ordinance* and the associated proposed restrictions.

The proposed *Zoning Ordinance* would: (1) limit the height of structures and vegetation out to 2 miles to the west of FCM, and out to 1.5 miles in all other areas around the airport; (2) prohibit the development of structures in Zone A; (3) prohibit, in Safety Zone B, the future construction of amphitheaters, hospitals, nursing homes, residential uses, schools, stadiums and ponds or other features which might attract waterfowl or other birds, (however, the proposed restrictions in Zone B do not affect additions to existing residences, residential redevelopment or future residential development in certain permitted residential areas around or near FCM), as well as a requirement for contiguous open space within Zone B of either 20% of the total Zone B acreage or 20 acres, whichever is larger; and (4) prohibit, in Zones A, B and C, the use of land that creates or causes interference with the operations of radio or electronic facilities on FCM or with radio or electronic communications between FCM and aircraft, makes it difficult for pilots to distinguish between Airport lights and other lights, results in glare in the eyes of pilots using FCM, impairs visibility in the vicinity of FCM, or otherwise endangers the landing, taking off, or maneuvering of aircraft in the runway approach areas.

THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE WILL COMMENCE AT 8:00 A.M. ON THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2010, AND CLOSE AT 5:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2010. During this period, written comments will be accepted and must be addressed to:

Ms. Jenn Felger  
Secretary to the FCM Joint Airport Zoning Board  
Metropolitan Airports Commission  
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Comments can also be emailed to [jenn.felger@mspmac.org](mailto:jenn.felger@mspmac.org)

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2010, AT THE EDEN PRAIRIE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 8080 MITCHELL ROAD, EDEN PRAIRIE, MN. THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BEGIN AT 7:00 P.M. AND LAST UNTIL ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD HAVE BEEN HEARD. AN OPEN HOUSE WILL BE HELD PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 5:00 P.M. FOLLOWED BY A PUBLIC PRESENTATION FROM 6:30 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

Copies of the proposed *Zoning Ordinance* will be available for review beginning April 8, 2010, at the following locations: the Metropolitan Airports Commission's Main Office, 6040 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and the city halls of the cities of Eden Prairie, Shakopee, Chanhassen and Bloomington. The proposed *Zoning Ordinance* will also be available for review beginning April 8 on the MAC website at [www.metroairports.org](http://www.metroairports.org).

For further information about the public comment period, the open house or the public hearing, please call Jenn Felger at (612) 726-8189.