Crystal Airport (MIC) Joint Airport Zoning Board (JAZB)

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 15, 2023
Brooklyn Park City Hall, Room A203
5200 85th Ave N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

Chair Rick Weyrauch convened Crystal's Joint Airport Zoning Board meeting at 3:06 PM.

Members attending in person:

Chair, Rick Weyrauch

Brooklyn Center, Ginny McIntosh

City of Brooklyn Park, Maria Tran

City of Brooklyn Part, Paul Mogush

City of Crystal, Dan Olson

City of Crystal, Joseph Sears

City of Minneapolis, Brad Ellis

City of Minneapolis, Loren Olson

City of New Hope, Jeff Alger

City of New Hope, Jeff Sargent

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC), Kelly Gerads

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC), Joe Harris

Robbinsdale, Rick Pearson

Others in attendance:

John Sutter – City of Crystal; Fish Townsend, Eric Gilles, Robert Dockry, Andrew Hanson, Evan Wilson, and Kyle Fisher – MAC support staff; Evan Barrett – MAC consultant

Others attending remotely:

Jack Egan – MAC support staff

Minutes:

1. Roll Call

Fish Townsend, secretary for the JAZB, took roll call.

2. Approve December 14, 2022, Meeting Minutes

GINNY MCINTOSH, BROOKLYN CENTER, MOVED TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 14, 2022. MARIA TRAN, CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK, SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

3. Review April 19, 2023, Public Hearing Report

Evan Barrett, Airport Planning Consultant for the MAC, outlined the Public Hearing Report, including public comments and responses.

4. Review Draft Crystal Airport Zoning Ordinance Submittal Materials

Barrett outlined the Draft Crystal Airport Zoning Ordinance Submittal Materials, including the Public Hearing Report, Draft Crystal Airport Zoning Ordinance, Analysis of Custom Airport Zoning Factors, and the JAZB Meeting Record.

5. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

6. <u>Board Discussion on Submittal Materials</u>

JOE HARRIS, MAC, MOTIONED TO SUBMIT THE CRYSTAL AIRPORT ZONING ORDINANCE DRAFT AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO MNDOT AS PREPARED. JEFF SARGENT, CITY OF NEW HOPE, SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Eric Gilles, MAC's Senior Airport Planner, offered some clarification that the review of solar panels & light pollution in air space is much less averse on a home versus a solar panel farm, for example. There is no specific tool for glint or glare concerns; reviewers have a level of discretion in this area. There will be an addendum for municipalities to use as a clarification guide/FAQ covering the topics of building and tree heights and solar panels for 7460 review. Anyone can use the online tool for height restrictions on a property; advise solar contractors to use it.

7. Discuss Next Steps

Once submitted, MnDOT has 90 days to review the submittal. They have the option to ask clarification questions, which would restart the 90-day review period. If any material changes need to be made, the new draft would mean a new Public Hearing. MnDOT's response will prompt the next meeting to be scheduled with board members.

8. Adjourn

LOREN OLSON, CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS, MOTIONED TO ADJOURN. GINNY MCINTOSH SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.