

**METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION  
RELIEVER AIRPORTS ADVISORY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday – June 12, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.  
Metropolitan Airports Commission  
Lindbergh Room  
6040 - 28th Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55450

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**Committee Members:** Commissioner Michael Madigan (absent); Chairman John Krack (absent) – Anoka County/Blaine; Glenn Weibel - St. Paul; John Grosen – Crystal; Pat Moynihan – Airlake; John Renwick – Lake Elmo; Lance Fisher - Flying Cloud; Gary Schmidt - MAC; Kelly Ubel - MAC

**MAC Staff:** Kelly Gerads; Joe Harris; Mike Wilson; Chad Leque; Phil Tiedeman; Jennifer Lewis

**Others:** Bruce Wiley

**1. Approval of the 13 March 2019 Meeting Minutes and Agenda for 12 June 2019 was approved and carried by unanimous vote.**

**2. Issues**

**A. Reliever Airport Non-Aeronautical Development Update**

**Gary Schmidt, MAC** reported that the MAC has hired a consultant, JJJ, to complete a land assessment of the seven airports to determine the best use of the land. At Lake Elmo Airport, the land release paperwork has been submitted to the FAA as of June 3, 2019. At Airlake Airport, having commission approval, MAC staff is working with three perspective tenants on a draft lease agreement.

**B. Crystal Airport Environmental Review Update**

**Neil Ralston, MAC** stated that a public hearing was held on May 29, 2019 at the Crystal City Hall for the Crystal Airport draft Federal Environmental Assessment (EA), State Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW). The public comment period closed on June 10, 2019. Based on the verbal and written comments received, MAC is on track to complete the environmental study later this Summer 2019. Grant funding will then be applied for with construction starting in 2020.

**C. Primary Reliever Airports Visioning Study Update**

**Neil Ralston, MAC** stated that Phase 1 of the Primary Reliever Visioning Study for FCM, STP, and ANE will be completed by the end of summer 2019. Neil reported that 20 interviews were completed, and information was gathered from FBOs, organizations, fractional/charter entities, and corporate flight departments. Future

interviews to be completed will focus on itinerant pilots. Phase 2 is scheduled to begin in Fall 2019.

**D. Reliever Airport Ultralight Policy Update**

**Mike Wilson, MAC** reported that documents were submitted to the FAA District Office. A response was received indicating there were concerns with having ultralights mix with other aircraft types at the airport. A revised plan has been submitted and MAC is awaiting a response.

**3. Tenant Concerns/Issues**

**Pat Moynihan, Airlake Airport RAAC Rep** requested an update on the Airlake Annexation. **Gary Schmidt, MAC** reported that the attorneys involved need to submit a joint resolution to the courts.

**John Grosen, Crystal Airport RAAC Rep** indicated that the airport is in need of fuel and mentioned self-service issues. John indicated that tenants want Jet A. **Gary Schmidt, MAC** stated that MAC and all stakeholders will have a dialogue and work through all issues.

**Glenn Weibel, St. Paul/Downtown Airport RAAC Rep** thanked Gary Schmidt, MAC for the years he has worked on issues with the RAAC and wished him a happy retirement.

**4. Future Meetings Schedule:**

Meetings will be held at:                    **Metropolitan Airports Commission  
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7:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday - September 11, 2019  
Wednesday - December 11, 2019**

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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