

**AIRPORT / COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE
MEETING NO. 252 OVERVIEW
Wednesday, March 7, 2007**

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Mark Church, San Mateo County Supervisor and Roundtable Chairperson, called the Regular Meeting of the Airport/Community Roundtable to order, at approximately 7:05 p.m. in the David Chetcuti Community Room, at the Millbrae City Hall in Millbrae, California. Dave Carbone, Roundtable Coordinator, called the roll. A quorum (at least 12 Regular Members) was present, as follows:

Regular Members Present

Jack Barry, City and County of San Francisco Mayor's Office Representative
(Appointed)

Mike McCarron, City and County of San Francisco Airport Commission (Alternate)

Mark Church, County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors / Roundtable Chairperson

Richard Newman, C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC) / Roundtable Vice-Chairperson

Alan Carlson, Town of Atherton

Sepi Richardson, City of Brisbane

Russ Cohen, City of Burlingame

Sal Torres, City of Daly City

Linda Koelling, City of Foster City

Naomi Patridge, City of Half Moon Bay

Christine Krolik, Town of Hillsborough

Steve Toben, Town of Portola Valley

Alicia Aguirre, City of Redwood City

Ken Ibarra, City of San Bruno

John Lee, City of San Mateo

Ron Romines, Town of Woodside

Regular Members Absent

City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors (Vacant)

City of Belmont

City of Menlo Park

City of Millbrae

City of Pacifica

City of San Carlos

City of South San Francisco

Advisory Members Present

Sean Cullinane, SFO Air Traffic Control Tower

Roundtable Staff / Consultants

Dave Carbone, Roundtable Coordinator

Heather R. Hoshii, Assistant Roundtable Coordinator / Consultant

Walter Gillfillan, Roundtable Project Manager / Consultant

San Francisco International Airport Staff

Bert Ganoung, Noise Abatement Manager

David Ong, Noise Abatement Systems Manager

Richard Flaa, Noise Abatement Specialist

2. Public Comment of Items Not on the Agenda

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

NONE

3. Consent Agenda Items

- a. **Review of Airport Director's Report for January 2007**
- b. **Review of Roundtable Meeting Overview for February 2007**
- c. **Review of Correspondence / Informational Items for March 2007**

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

NONE

ACTION: Sepi Richardson **MOVED** approval of Consent Agenda items 3.a. – 3.c. The motion was **SECONDED** by Alicia Aguirre and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. Monthly Airport Director's Report

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- Southwest Airlines will be returning to SFO and starting service in late summer or early fall
- A slight increase in traffic is expected over the summer with the addition of JetBlue
- Virgin America could hear a decision from the DOT on the status of its application to begin commercial service sometime toward the end of April or early May 2007
- The SOIA / PRM Approach to Runways 28 has been in operation for over two years and was used four (4) times over the last week
- The SFO Noise Office staff recently spoke to a group of United pilots about the Fly Quiet Program

5. 2006 - 2007 Roundtable Work Program Items:

- a. **Overview of Boeing 787 Dreamliner & Boeing 747-800 (To Be Continued)**
- b. **Report on Aircraft Compliance with the Woodside VOR (OSI) Crossing Altitude Procedure**

1. Report from Noise Abatement Staff

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- The Noise Abatement Office presents an update on Woodside VOR (OSI) flights below 8,000 feet twice a year
- Oceanic jet aircraft that cross over the Woodside VOR between the hours of 2230-0630 over the last year (Jan. '06 – Jan. '07) have remained steadily at or very near the 8,000 foot crossing altitude desired

- The Noise Abatement Office also tracks the number of flights that cross the Woodside VOR at an altitude below 7,700 feet between the hours of 2230-0630
- In early 2004, the number of flights crossing the Woodside VOR at an altitude below 7,700 feet between the hours of 2230-0630 was around 100 per month
- Since the Noise Abatement Office and the Roundtable have been working on the Woodside VOR (OSI) oceanic flight crossing altitude issue the number of oceanic flights crossing over the Woodside VOR at an altitude below 7,700 feet between the hours of 2230-0630 has dropped significantly from around 100 flights per month to around 20 or less flights per month

2. Report on input from Patty Daniel, Support Manager, FAA Northern California TRACON (Air Traffic Control Facility), re: TRACON Follow-up on Specific OSI Crossing Altitudes

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- Patty Daniel, Support Manger, FAA Northern California TRACON communicated to Roundtable Staff that she had some concerns with two of the recommendations made by the Roundtable Woodside VOR (OSI) Subcommittee in September 2006
- Roundtable Staff and the Roundtable Woodside VOR (OSI) Subcommittee Chairman spoke with Ms. Daniel on several occasions and she explained that the concerns she had with the recommendations or the requests made by the Woodside VOR (OSI) Subcommittee were that the recommendations pose an increase in workload for NORCAL TRACON Staff and cannot be implemented as requested
- The attention brought to the Woodside VOR (OSI) Crossing Altitude Issue by the Roundtable over the last three (3) years has made a significant impact and a change for the better
- A feedback mechanism is needed to insure that this issue does not become a problem again in the future
- The Roundtable is not in a position to impose any new protocols or standards on the FAA
- As the Noise Abatement Office continues to monitor the activity over the Woodside VOR (OSI) and should the crossing altitudes of aircraft again begin to deteriorate the issue can be revisited at that time
- The TRACON has remained very responsive throughout this process
- Should the Roundtable and the Woodside VOR (OSI) Subcommittee continue to push this issue the working relationship between the Roundtable, SFO Noise Abatement Office and the TRACON could be damaged
- The relationships the Roundtable has established between the Noise Abatement Office and the TRACON are vital to our success as an organization
- A suggestion was made to draft a thank you letter to Patty Daniel to thank her for her assistance to Woodside VOR (OSI) Subcommittee and for her continued cooperation
- Complaints to the Atherton City Council regarding aircraft over the Woodside VOR (OSI) have stopped

- In 2005, Woodside logged 29 complaints over the year and Portola Valley logged 196
- In 2006, Woodside logged 35 complaints over the year and Portola Valley logged 32
- To date in 2007, Woodside has logged 3 complaints and Portola Valley has logged 2
- The Noise Office has made a commitment to the Roundtable to continue to monitor flights over the Woodside VOR (OSI)
- Staff should be commended on the significant improvement between 2004 and now
- The Airport would like to join in thanking Patty Daniel for her assistance
- Staff was directed to draft a thank you letter to Ms. Daniel for approval at the next meeting

c. Overview of Phase 2 of the Airport Noise Monitoring System

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- Phase 2 will include: 1) Airport Noise Monitoring Support, 2) Ground Run-up Detection System, 3) Multilateration Flight Tracking System (synthetic / passive radar), 4) Additional Noise Monitoring Stations, 5) Contour Generation Software, 6) Three Dimensional Flight Tracking

d. Status of Local Aircraft Noise Insulation Programs

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- The Noise Insulation Program has been in operation since 1983
- Although the Noise Insulation Program is funded by the FAA and the Airport each participating City is in charge of running its own program
- The following cities are or have participated in the Noise Insulation Program: 1) Daly City, 2) Millbrae, 3) Pacifica, 4) San Bruno, 5) South San Francisco, 6) County of San Mateo
- To date a total of 15,159 dwelling units, 11 schools and 10 churches have been insulated
- The average cost to insulate each individual dwelling unit ranged from \$9,222 to \$30,000
- All the participating agencies, with the exception of South San Francisco, have completed their programs

e. Status Report from the Roundtable Media Program Subcommittee

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- The goal of the Media Program is to enhance our outreach to the public and inform them of who we are and what we do
- The Roundtable Media Program Subcommittee has met three (3) times since its inception last year
- There are several components to the Roundtable Media Program including: 1) Community and media outreach via an electronic quarterly news letter and up to six (6) press releases per year, 2) Enhancement of the Roundtable Website to improve the utility of the site and offer more information to site users, 3) Update Roundtable

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- The Subcommittee has tasked the Roundtable staff with putting together an RFP (**R**equest **f**or **P**roposal) to obtain a consultant to assist with all the components of the Media Program
- During the budget process, \$18,000 was set aside for the Media Program
- The estimated cost of proposed Media Program is \$20,000 - \$25,000
- Additional funding may be needed
- Burlingame representative, Russ Cohen, has offered to provide the Roundtable with a tagline free of charge
- Once finalized the Subcommittee will present a draft Media Program to the Roundtable for final approval

6. Consideration of a Recommendation from the Roundtable Operations & Efficiency Subcommittee re: Roundtable Meeting Schedule and Meeting Start Time

a. Consider / Approval of a Roundtable Regular Meeting Schedule for the Remainder of calendar year 2007 and all of calendar year 2008

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- The Roundtable Operations & Efficiency Subcommittee considered both a quarterly and a bi-monthly schedule
- The Subcommittee decided on recommending a quarterly meeting schedule
- Airport staff noted that with the addition of JetBlue and Southwest Airlines an increase in traffic, up to 8%, is expected this summer
- With this anticipated increase in traffic, SFO requested that the Roundtable consider a bi-monthly schedule, as opposed to the quarterly schedule, as recommended by the Subcommittee
- If the bi-monthly schedule starting in February is adopted, the Roundtable would not meet during the month of July
- Roundtable Chairman Mark Church recommended consideration of the bi-monthly schedule, to insure that the public has sufficient access to the Roundtable when the increase in Airport operations begins in the summer
- An increase in flights and traffic does not necessary correlate to an increase in noise
- One of the factors considered by the Subcommittee was the amount of work and effort by the staff that goes into preparing for the monthly meetings
- To assist the public it would be beneficial if the meeting months are kept consistent

ACTION: John Lee **MOVED** approval of a bi-monthly meeting schedule in which the Roundtable will meet during the months of February, April, June, August, October, and December in 2007 and 2008. The motion was **SECONDED** by Alan Carlson and **CARRIED**, by a vote of 13 to 3.

b. Consideration / Approval of an Amendment to Adopted Roundtable Bylaws to Implement the Adopted Roundtable Meeting Schedule

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- No action was taken on this item; Roundtable Staff will prepare the appropriate paperwork to implement a bi-monthly meeting schedule for consideration at the April 4, 2007 Roundtable Meeting

c. Consideration / Approval of a Resolution (Resolution 07-09) Adopting a Day, Time and Place for Holding Regular Meetings of the Airport / Community Roundtable for the Remainder of calendar Year 2007 and all of calendar Year 2008

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- No action was taken on this item; Roundtable Staff will prepare the appropriate paperwork to implement a bi-monthly meeting schedule for consideration at the April 4, 2007 Roundtable Meeting

7. Member Communication / Announcements

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

NONE

8. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 pm.