**SFO Airport/Community Roundtable**

Meeting No 349 -- Minutes

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

**Call to Order / Roll Call / Declaration of a Quorum Present** (00:00:30)

Roundtable Chairman Al Royse, called to order the Regular Meeting of the SFO Airport/Community Roundtable on April 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., at the David J. Chetcuti Community Room, 450 Poplar Avenue, Millbrae, CA, and at Pueblo Bonito Sunset Beach, Room 2194, Building 21, Domicilio Conocido S/N, Cabo San Lucas, Baja California Sur 23450 Mexico and via Zoom. Kathleen Wentworth, Roundtable Coordinator, called the roll. A quorum (at least 13 Regular Members) was present as follows:

REGULAR MEMBERS PRESENT

Ivar Satero – City and County of San Francisco Airport Commission

Dave Pine – San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

Carol Ford – C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC)

Stacy Miles-Holland – Town of Atherton

Robin Pang-Maganaris – City of Belmont

Terry O’ Connell – City of Brisbane

Ricardo Ortiz – City of Burlingame

Joanne F. del Rosario -- Town of Colma

Pamela DiGiovanni – City of Daly City

Martha Barragan – City of East Palo Alto

Sam Hindi – City of Foster City

Al Royse – Town of Hillsborough

Angelina Cahalan – City of Millbrae

Christine Boles – City of Pacifica

Mary Hufty – Town of Portola Valley

Kaia Eakin -- City of Redwood City

Mark Nagales – City of South San Francisco

REGULAR MEMBERS ABSENT
City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco Mayor’s Office

City of Half Moon Bay

City of Menlo Park

City of San Mateo

City of San Bruno

City of San Carlos

Town of Woodside

ROUNDTABLE STAFF

Kathleen Wentworth – Roundtable Coordinator
Diane Estipona – Roundtable Administrative Secretary

Maria Gonzalez – Planning Department Administrative Secretary

Eugene Reindel, HMMH – Roundtable Technical Consultant

Joe Czech, HMMH – Roundtable Technical Consultant

SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT STAFF

Doug Yakel, Chief Information Officer

Bert Ganoung, Noise Office Manager

David Ong, Aircraft Noise Systems Manager

Anthony Carpeneti, Noise Abatement Specialist

Gerardo Fries, Special Projects Manager, Noise Insulation Program

Christian Valdes, Senior Managing Consultant, SFO GBAS Program

FAA STAFF

Faviola Garcia, Deputy Regional Administrator

Moifair Chin, Community Engagement Officer

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT

Matt Friedman, Chief, Office of Aviation Planning, Caltrans Department of Aeronautics
Linda Wolin – Chief of Staff to Supervisor Dave Pine

**Public Comments for Items NOT on the Agenda** (00:06:10)

Chairman Royse opened and closed public comments for items not on the agenda; no comments were received.

**Action to set Agenda and to Approve Consent Items 1-3 (**00:09:01)

Chairman Royse opened and closed public comments for consent items; no comments were received.

Ricardo Ortiz **MOVED** to set the agenda and to approve consent items 1, 2 & 3. The motion was seconded by Christine Boles and **CARRIED** unanimously by roll call vote. (00:11:00)

**4. *ACTION:* Approval of Chairperson Subcommittee Assignments** (00:11:01)

Chairman Royse opened and closed public comments, no comments were received.

Mark Nagales **MOVED** to support the approval of the Chairman’s subcommittee assignments. The motion was seconded by Sup. David Pine and **CARRIED** unanimouslyby roll call vote**.** (00:14: 07)

**PRESENTATIONS**

**5. FAA Update** (00:14:42)

Moifair Chin, FAA Community Engagement Officer, announced that the FAA will host a free public webinar on [Advanced Air Mobility Community Engagement](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1sfVuJlPQoY) on April 17, 2017. The webinar will later remain accessible on the FAA website. The FAA has also created a new [web page dedicated to sustainable aviation fuels](https://www.faa.gov/about/officeorg/headquartersoffices/apl/sustainable-aviation-fuels-saf) as a helpful resource for the public, the aviation industry, and all stakeholders.

**6. Airport Land Use Planning and Preparing for Advanced Air Mobility** (00:16:07)

Matthew Friedman, Chief of Aviation Planning in the Caltrans Division of Aeronautics, presented on the topic of [Investigating and Guiding Outcomes for Advanced Air Mobility (AAM).](https://sforoundtable.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/6.0-0240403-AAM-Friedman-PPT-Slides-RT-mtg.pdf)

Questions and discussion ensued among Roundtable members, Roundtable consultants, and the presenter regarding Agenda item #6. (00:47:56)

**7. Review: Study Comparing FAA AEDT Modeling Data vs. Measured Noise Data (**01:01:08)

Joe Czech, HMMH Principal Consultant, presented a review of a scientific study, [“A Large-scale Validation Study of Aircraft Noise Modeling for Airport Arrivals”](https://pubs.aip.org/asa/jasa/article-pdf/155/3/1928/19722022/1928_1_10.0025276.pdf), published in The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, which critiqued the FAA’s Aviation Environmental Design Tool (AEDT).

Eugene Reindel, HMMH Roundtable Technical Consultant, emphasized that we should not make conclusions based on the study presented. Mr. Reindel noted that HMMH did not participate in this study and suggested that the Technical Working Group Subcommittee might be the best place for further discussions of this study.

Questions and discussion ensued among Roundtable members, Roundtable consultants, and the Study author regarding Agenda item #7. (01:25:04)

**8. Chairman’s Update** (01:36:46)

Chairman Royse recognized that Roundtable members Martha Barragan, East Palo Alto, and Mary Hufty, RT Alternate, Portola Valley arrived at the Roundtable meeting some time earlier, but after roll call.

Chairman Royse apologized to the public regarding the audio disruptions experienced during the February 7, 2024, Roundtable meeting and confirmed that Roundtable Staff and MCTV had follow-up discussions and that MCTV has made the necessary adjustments to prevent this issue.

Chairman Royse related Roundtable members and staff attended the UC Davis Aviation Noise and Emission Symposium. Members Al Royse, Carol Ford, and Roundtable Coordinator Kathleen Wentworth attended. Chair Royse and member Carol Ford offered their observations of the event.

Chairman Royse recognized and thanked Roundtable member, Ricardo Ortiz, who will be stepping down from the City Council of Burlingame, for his many years of service to the Roundtable, both as a member and as Roundtable Chair.

Chairman Royse announced future NASA speakers and presentations from industry representatives in upcoming Roundtable meetings.

**9. Airport Director Update** (01:45:40)

Ivar Satero, SFO Airport Director. Informed the members that the SFO March 31st data showed that passenger recovery is at 96% compared to pre-Covid, but that aircraft operations are only at 86% compared to pre-Covid. This is a good trend; using fewer, larger aircraft to accommodate passengers, reduces the number of flight operations. The taxiway safety project is on track for completion by July 1st. He also provided an update on airline flights to various destinations.

1. **Aircraft Noise Office Update**

Mr. Ganoung provided an update on the GBAS GLS SB Rwy 19L. He also updated the membership on the Noise Insulation Programs.

**10. Subcommittee Updates** (01:52:20)

1. **Ground-Based Noise Subcommittee Meeting: March 11, 2024**

Terry O’Connell provided an update on ground-based noise issues and information on an upcoming ground-based noise project which were discussed at the meeting.

**Public Comment** (01:55:35)

Chairman Royse opened public comment.

Dr. Juan Alonso, co-author of the scientific study mentioned in Agenda item #7, made a public comment (01:56:47).

Mark Shull, a Palo Alto resident, made a public comment (02:00:14).

Jennifer Landsman, a Palo Alto resident, made a public comment (02:01:28).

Darlene Yapley, a Palo Alto resident, made a public comment (02:03:30).

Sue Digre, a Pacifica resident, made a public comment (02:05:33).

Chairman Royse wanted to acknowledge the attendance of Faviola Garcia, FAA Deputy Regional Administrator, who has been here at the meeting for some time. Deputy Administrator Garcia noted that questions that arose in the earlier AAM discussion might be answered in the upcoming AAM workshop mentioned at the start of the meeting. She also noted the outreach being undertaken to publicize that webinar.

Chair Royse closed public comments.

**11. Member Communications / Announcements** (02:08:13)

Chairman Royse thanked Roundtable Staff for the effective coordination of meetings and thanked Roundtable members for their active participation.

**12. Adjournment** (02:09:35)

Chairman Royse adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:09 P.M.

*Roundtable action minutes are considered draft until approved by the Roundtable at a regular meeting. A video recording of this meeting is available on the Roundtable’s website.*