

SANTA CRUZ/SANTA CLARA COUNTIES AIRPORT/COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE

Recap of Second Regular Meeting of the Roundtable

March 27, 2019

1:00 – 3:00 PM

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' CHAMBERS
County Government Center – 70 West Hedding Street, 1st Floor, San Jose, CA
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Roundtable Members Present

Ed Bottorff, City of Capitola, Council Member
Liang Chao, City of Cupertino, Vice Mayor
Anita Enander, City of Los Altos, Council Member
Michelle Wu, City of Los Altos Hills, Vice Mayor
Liz Lawler, City of Monte Sereno, Mayor Pro tempore
Lisa Matichak, City of Mountain View, Mayor
Lydia Kou, City of Palo Alto, Council Member
Kathy Watanabe, City of Santa Clara, Council Member
Martin Bernal, City of Santa Cruz, City Manager
Carlos Palacios, County of Santa Cruz, County Administrative Officer
Mary-Lynne Bernald, City of Saratoga, Council Member
Glenn Hendricks, City of Sunnyvale, Council Member

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Faviola Garcia, Office of the Regional Administrator

Airport Staff

Bert Ganoung, San Francisco International Airport (SFO)

Congressional Staff

Karen Chapman, Congresswoman Anna Eshoo's Office
Kathleen Lee, Congressman Jimmy Panetta's Office
Tom Pyke, Congressman Ro Khanna's Office

Cities Association of Santa Clara and Consultant Staff

Andi Jordan, Cities Association of Santa Clara County
Steve Alverson, Environmental Science Associates (ESA)
Julie Russell, ESA

Presenters

Faviola Garcia, FAA
Steve Alverson, ESA

A quorum of the members was present.

1. Welcome/Review of the Meeting Format – Steve Alverson, Roundtable Facilitator

Roundtable facilitator Steve Alverson welcomed the members and public to the SCSC Roundtable, and noted that meeting was being lived streamed and recorded for future viewing. This is a collaborative forum with a discussion and comment period with the Roundtable members and the public. The SCSC Roundtable complies with the Brown Act, thus making them unable to take action on the comments of the day. The video and more information can be found at the SCSC Roundtable [website](#).

2. Call to Order and Identification of Members Present – Chairperson Bernald

Chairperson Bernald called the meeting to order and asked the Roundtable members to introduce themselves. Given the current Bylaws, only 10 of the 12 members present were allowed to vote on action items, Martin Bernal and Carlos Palacios were nonvoting members. Member Palacios became a voting member after Agenda Item 3.

3. Reconsideration of the February 27,2019 Bylaws Amendment – Member Glenn Hendricks

Member Hendricks made a motion to reconsider the change in Article 3, Number 3 of the Bylaws, regarding the membership of the roundtable, that was made during the February 27, 2019 Regular Meeting of the SCSC Roundtable. This Article currently reads, “The City and County representative shall be elected officials from the Cities and Counties. Each City and County representative shall also have one Alternate which is also an elected official.” Member Matichak seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Following that action, Member Hendricks made a motion to change the Bylaws to read, “The city representatives shall be elected officials. The county representative may be elected officials or the County Chief Executive Officer or staff designee. Each county representative shall also have one alternate, which is also an elected official or Chief Executive Officer or staff designee.” Member Matichak seconded the motion, which carried on a vote of 9 in favor to 1 opposed. As a result of the vote, Member Palacios became a voting member of the Roundtable.

4. Identification /Selection of Future Meeting Schedule and Location(s) – Chairperson Bernald

Chairperson Bernald stated that it would be beneficial for the Roundtable to meet on a routine basis and reviewed a series of potential meeting dates, locations, and times. Chairperson Bernald asked the Roundtable Members if there were comments or questions regarding the proposed schedule and there were none. Member Hendricks’ motion to accept the proposed meeting was seconded by Member Watanabe and passed unanimously. The approved meeting schedule is as follows:

- 4/9/19 – SFO: SFO Noise 101 *optional*, 10am – 1pm (tentative)
- 4/24/19 – City of Santa Clara, 1 – 3pm
- 5/22/19 – City of Santa Clara, 1 – 3pm
- 6/26/19 – Santa Cruz County BOS, 1 – 3pm
- 7/24/19 – Santa Clara County BOS, 1 – 3pm
- 8/28/19 – Santa Clara County BOS, 1 – 3pm
- 9/25/19 – City of Santa Clara, 1 – 3pm
- 10/23/19 – Santa Clara County BOS, 1 – 3pm
- 11/19 – (tentative)
- 12/19 – (tentative)

5. FAA and Airport/Community Roundtables – *Federal Aviation Administration*

FAA representative Faviola Garcia gave an informational presentation on Airport/Community Noise Roundtables and FAA Support. The presentation provided an overview of how the FAA can provide technical assistance, data, and advice to the SCSC Roundtable. Ms. Garcia noted that the FAA believes that Roundtable success means taking into account input from all parties that can be affected, understanding the overarching objectives of noise abatement recommendations, and prioritizing the top two or three objectives.

Roundtable Members asked Ms. Garcia if the FAA will provide the Roundtable with advanced notice of potential procedure changes. Ms. Garcia indicated the FAA will provide the Roundtable with regular updates of potential procedure changes. Members also asked Ms. Garcia to provide a future presentation on the FAA’s procedure development and decision-making process. Ms. Garcia indicated that the FAA will give a presentation on the FAA’s procedure development and decision-making process at a future Roundtable meeting.

Ms. Garcia’s “FAA and Airport/Community Roundtables” presentation is available on the SCSC Roundtable [website](#).

6. Aircraft Noise 101 - *Steve Alverson, Roundtable Facilitator*

Steve Alverson gave a brief, but in-depth explanation on aircraft noise. Member Hendricks suggested that at a future meeting the Roundtable discuss using Section 175 of the 2018 FAA Reauthorization Act to request that San Jose International Airport (SJC) request FAA implement dispersion headings for south departures out of SJC. Member Kou asked that the Section 175 option be considered for SFO as well. Member Watanabe asked if the FAA has prepared a modeling study at SJC. Steve Alverson replied that noise modeling was performed as a part of the Metroplex process, but it was focused on areas farther out from the Airport. Member Hendricks noted that the city of Sunnyvale will be installing a noise monitoring system to collect noise data.

Mr. Alverson’s “Aircraft Noise 101” presentation is available on the SCSC Roundtable [website](#).

7. Proposed LOUPE FIVE Departure Procedure at SJC – Steve Alverson, Roundtable Facilitator

Steve Alverson gave a presentation on the proposed LOUPE FIVE departure. After the presentation, he presented a list of topics that may be beneficial for the Roundtable to ask FAA including:

- Why the LOUPE FOUR IDP is being replaced?
- Why the LOUPE FIVE IDP is an improvement on the LOUPE FOUR IDP?
- What environmental analysis was performed to evaluate the potential impacts of the LOUPE FIVE IDP?
- Could a copy of the environmental analysis including the noise analysis be provided to the Roundtable for its review?

After completing the presentation, Steve opened up the floor for Member questions. The Roundtable members were concerned that the changes to the LOUPE FIVE IDP would allow the airspace to be used for other reasons that were not currently being discussed or would affect other flight patterns. Ms. Garcia the FAA representative disclosed the available information about LOUPE FIVE, and explained that more information will be released on April 25, 2019 when the LOUPE SID will be published. The Roundtable compiled a list of questions that they would like answered and submitted to FAA, with the intention that the FAA will review them and provide a response. Chairperson Bernald listed questions and Mr. Alverson suggested that a motion be made in regards to these questions. Member Hendricks motion to authorize Chairperson Bernald to prepare and send a letter to the FAA and was seconded by Member Enander and approved unanimously.

Mr. Alverson's "Proposed LOUPE FIVE Departure Procedure at SJC" presentation is available on the SCSC Roundtable [website](#).

8. Roundtable Member Discussion - Roundtable Members

Northern California TRACON Visit

FAA representative Garcia explained that TRACON is an acronym for Terminal Radar Approach Control and it is located in Sacramento. It allows you to see how air traffic is managed at 10,000 ft. and above. SFO staff member Bert Ganoung invited the SCSC Roundtable to join the SFO Roundtable and Oakland Noise Forum on a trip to the TRACON.

Work Program Development Process

The members of the Roundtable will create a document by gathering the requests of the Roundtable members. Chairperson Bernald and Mr. Alverson will sort through this lists and it will be used to create a potential work program. Member Enander suggested using Steve Alverson's expertise to aid in its creation. This document will be used to clarify questions that the Roundtable and public has for the FAA. In addition to this document, the Roundtable would like a briefing from the FAA regarding its procedure development process.

Other

Member Chao indicated she would like to discuss the Bylaws and subcommittees. Member Matichak stated that the entire Roundtable needs to be brought up to speed on the Select Committee and ad-hoc committee. Chairperson Bernald stated that the Roundtable will not be revisiting any of the items that the Select Committee talked about nor what the FAA is working on. Member Kou believes further discussion is needed to explain why subcommittees are no longer being discussed. Member Watanabe requested a follow-up on agreements made between SJC and the City of Santa Clara. Member Kou inquired if the Roundtable was able to gain access to various airport business plans. The items above were not discussed due to time constraints. In regards to the topics of this meeting, the Roundtable will be scheduling a meeting to discuss aircraft noise complaints, responsibilities of the airport versus FAA, and timeline for discussing PIRAT TWO.

9. Comments from the Public

Members of the community expressed concern about the changes the FAA is making to the Standard Terminal Arrival Routes (STAR). They would like more information on why the FAA is changing LOUPE FOUR to LOUPE FIVE. They also want PIRAT TWO to be included in the Roundtable's discussion and questions that the Roundtable is submitting to the FAA. The community members thank the Roundtable for its effort, but would like to see the presence of the airports in future meetings.

10. Review of Roundtable Action Items – *Steve Alverson, Roundtable Facilitator*

Steven Alverson reviewed the formal actions that were taken during this meeting. These are noted earlier in this meeting recap.

11. Adjournment – *Chairperson Bernald*

Chairperson Bernald adjourned the meeting at 3:28 pm PDT.