



**MINUTES OF THE
PHOENIX-MESA GATEWAY AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2009

AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBERS

Mayor Art Sanders, Queen Creek
Councilwoman Thelda Williams, Phoenix (*via telephone*)
Mayor John Lewis, Gilbert
Lt. Governor Joseph Manuel, Gila River Indian Community
Councilmember Dina Higgins, Mesa

GUESTS PRESENT

Matt Busby, City of Apache Junction	Sandra Kukla, DWL Architects
Jeffrey Carr, Air Force Research Lab	Johannes Kurz, Gateway Ambassador
Brian Davis, Allegiant Air	Scot Rigby, City of Mesa
Jenny DiGiro, Embraer	Christopher Schmaltz, Gust Rosenfeld
Tamie Fisher, Phoenix Aviation	John Schroeder, Chandler-Gilbert Community College
Ken Halverson, KMH Holdings	Councilmember John Sentz, Town of Gilbert
Gary Hodorski, Gateway Ambassador	Art Thomason, Arizona Republic
Jeff Keating, Allegiant Air	Bruce Tinsley, Access & Egress
Larry Kieser, Mesa Police Department	Pat Van Deursen, Gateway Ambassador

AIRPORT STAFF PRESENT

Casey Denny, Deputy Director
Gretchen Hawkins, Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board of Directors
Lynn Kusy, Executive Director
Taryn O'Donnal, Executive Assistant
Dennis Orr, Environmental & Archeological Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sanders at 9:00 a.m.

AWARDS, GUEST INTRODUCTIONS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mayor Sanders welcomed Mesa Councilmember Dina Higgins, representing Mayor Scott Smith.
- Mesa Police Operations Manager Larry Kieser introduced Commander Doug Kline who will be taking over the responsibility of police operations at Gateway and Falcon Field.
- Airport Executive Director Lynn Kusy welcomed Councilmember John Sentz from Gilbert and new Airport employee Taryn O'Donnal, Executive Assistant in Operations & Maintenance.
- Mr. Kusy presented a 10-year service award to Dennis Orr, Environmental & Archeological Coordinator.
Mr. Kusy also presented three Gateway Ambassadors with certificates for completing a Certified Tourism Ambassador program. There are 26 members in the Gateway Ambassador program.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

PROGRESS REPORTS

- ASU Polytechnic – *no report*
- Chandler-Gilbert Community College (CGCC) – Mr. John Schroeder reported that CGCC enrollment is estimated to increase more than 25 percent next semester. Staff is working on some new programs which will be announced soon.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Review of Monthly Staff Reports – Updates on: Construction ♦ Commercial Service ♦ Finance ♦ Economic Stimulus Program - Lynn Kusy, Executive Director

Mr. Kusy provided highlights from the monthly staff report as follows:

- Groundbreaking ceremony for Fire Station 215 was held. The project should be complete next summer.
- AzAA is hosting its fall conference in Mesa in October. Casey Denny serves as vice president of AzAA this year.
- Parking occupancy peaked on July 4 with 100 percent of the spaces filled. An additional 209 spaces were needed. July's parking revenue totaled \$117,000. Airport staff is planning another 1,600 spaces to accommodate fall holiday parking.
- July numbers: 1.) enplanements: 25,043. 2) total passengers: 49,287. 3) load factor: 90.3 percent.
- Allegiant Air announced four new destinations: Grand Island, NE; Grand Rapids, MI; Grand Forks ND; and Pasco, WA. Nineteen destinations are now served by Allegiant out of Mesa.
- An Antonov freighter is at Gateway all week.
- Each Board member received a draft FY 2009 year-end report. Highlights of the report include: Allegiant handled 462,000 passengers, staff finished a 10,000-square-foot passenger terminal annex, *We Need You* campaign now exceeds 10,000 entries, staff hosted a 15-year anniversary luncheon and an open house event, took delivery on a new ARFF vehicle, received our eleventh consecutive perfect FAA safety inspection and an Airport Safety

Award, delivered 9.9 million gallons (up 19 percent over FY 2008), and opened three aviation aircraft service centers. Mr. Kusy noted that the final report will be available in the next few weeks.

Councilwoman Williams stated, "I am proud of the good work staff is doing."

CONSENT AGENDA - Consideration and Possible Approval of:

Tab A- Minutes of Board Meeting held on July 27, 2009.

Tab B- Resolution No. 09-31 – Authorizing a Five Year Intergovernmental Agreement with **City of Mesa** for Dedicated Law Enforcement Services Retroactive to July 1, 2009 for a Five-Year Period Ending June 30, 2014. Total cost for FY 2010 is \$334,540.

Tab C- Resolution No. 09-35 – Authorizing Payment of \$65,586.88 to **Qwest** for Design and Construction Necessary to Relocate Existing Telecommunications Cable for the West Terminal Expansion Project.

Tab D- Resolution No. 09-36 – Authorizing Payment Not to Exceed \$60,000 to **Salt River Project** for Design and Construction Necessary to Install Power Cables and Transformers for the West Terminal Expansion Project.

Councilwoman Williams moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF

Resolution No. 09-37 – Approving Authorization of Services No. 1003 with **Dibble Engineering** for Design and Bid-Phase Services of Taxiway Papa Reconstruction at a Cost Not to Exceed \$164,432.14.

Mr. Kusy pointed out the location of Taxiway Papa for the Board. He noted that this taxiway is in dire need of reconstruction. Deputy Director Casey Denny added that all Airport pavement goes through a quality evaluation, and several on the airfield are scheduled for reconstruction. We have funding from FAA to do the design work for Taxiway Papa now.

Councilwoman Williams moved to approve Resolution No. 09-37. Mayor Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 09-38 – Approving Authorization of Services No. 1002 with **DWL Architects** for Construction Administration Services for the West Terminal Construction Project at a Cost Not to Exceed \$622,891.47.

Mr. Kusy reported that this resolution is for a construction contract for a 25,000-square-foot west terminal expansion. Mr. Denny added that this project is pending receipt of a FAA funds. Staff anticipates funding, and will not execute the contract until funds are received.

Councilwoman Williams moved to approve Resolution No. 09-38. Lt. Governor Manuel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Lewis commented on the Airport's 12th consecutive perfect safety rating. He said, "...it doesn't get any better than that."

Mayor Sanders expressed his appreciation for the media and guests who attended today's meeting. He also thanked all Airport staff for their hard work.

Mr. Kusy introduced Brian Davis and Jeff Keating from Allegiant Air. Mr. Davis stated that he enjoyed the relationship with Gateway and that they are here today to talk about continued expansion and growth.

NEXT MEETING

Monday, October 19, 2009 – 9:00 am

ADJOURN

The Board adjourned the meeting at 9:18 am.