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AIRPORT COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

Thursday April 8, 2021 @4:00 p.m.

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Voting Members – ENC Members: Victoria Miller* (Co-Chair), Jim Esterle* (Co-Chair)
Stakeholders: Robert Bramen, Jacquie Lange, John Vernagus

Alternate Committee Members:

* Indicates ENC Board Member or Alternate, no more than 5 Encino Neighborhood Council Board-Members or Alternates may be seated at a time to vote during a committee meeting

Motion, Discussion, and Vote may be taken on all items

- 1. Call to Order. Roll call; determination of quorum: All members present, quorum met. Meeting called to order @4:09pm**
- 2. Approve minutes: Minutes were approved except for adjournment time on July 10, 2020 meeting—will be adjusted: Moved: V. Miller, 2nd: J. Lange, MSP, 5-0-0**

3. *New Business (60 Min):

3A. F.A.A. Noise Survey: Deadline is April 14, 2021, meaning it would be too late for the ENC to comment. However, the Airport Committee can support those local politicians and the CAC once their public comments have been made available. To be revisited at future meeting.

3B. Overnight voluntary curfew update: LAWA is citing that the overnight curfew is a success, as there are fewer complaints (Feb. 2020 recorded 180 flights for the month vs. Feb. 2021 which recorded 130); keeping in mind that the beginning of 2020 saw the pandemic measures for safer at home orders within LA County, and there were fewer flights. It is widely suggested that there are equal or close to as many overnight flights now as there were before the voluntary curfew was put into place. There seems to be a disconnect between what residents are experiencing and what LAWA is reporting. Furthermore, the VNY CAC has some members who are asking for documentation from VNY/LAWA/BOAC of which flights are still flying, as well as what is being done about frequent violators.

3C. Update on LAWA's IFP Gateway submittals: There has been virtually no progress. The newly-formed Working Group consists of all facets of the FAA being represented, VNY officials, pilots, and airlines. There are no community members in the Group—LAWA tried to get this changed, and the FAA refused. It was suggested that CAC Chair and pilot Jason Price could perhaps meet the requirements to sit on the Working Group panel, he is amenable, but there has been no response thus far. The whole process is expected to take 1-2 years to complete. Items to be discussed include safety, efficiency, and community impact.

3D. VNY CAC meeting review: *This item was moved up to the first item discussed on the agenda—John Vernagus gave a full update as he has been attending the virtual meetings regularly: The CAC will have new appointees this Spring and it is expected that there will be 20 members serving on the

CAC for the first time in a long while. They are asking for updates on the VNY implemented program, Quieter Nights Scorecard—to see who is compiling with the voluntary overnight curfew—no updates as of yet on this program. LAWA again gave kudos for the success of the Voluntary Overnight Curfew program—there is a presentation on the BOAC website. The CAC will be taking up the VNY Master Plan which was last updated in 2006 when Mayor Garcetti was a then Councilmember. There were a large number of complaints in March 2021—a large increase. VNY is seeking new noise monitoring system, based on price/funding, as current system is aging out. CAC reminded VNY of placing the monitors in other locations than at the airport (such as the hillside and 101/405 area) and they were told that would not be in their proposal due to maintenance concerns + funding. Currently there are more arrivals noise complaints whereas it used to be mostly departures; it is about 50/50 presently. CAC member Mary Kay Harris attended the annual UCLA Noise Symposium and gave a thorough report to the CAC at the April 4th meeting. Last, there is a great new interactive tool on the VNY website—it can create an interactive data report—the only downfall is it is only good for 12 months of data—to access go to the VNY website and to the Noise Management Link, and then to By The Numbers dropdown to access.

3E. VNY Master Plan and national legislative efforts to rein in the FAA: Congressman Brad Sherman sits on the National Quiet Skies Caucus (the largest caucus in the government)—he held a Town Hall Meeting in late March 2021 where the air noise issues was brought up by constituents. Currently the Head of the FAA is a former airline industry executive and was appointed by the former President—he basically responds to the commercial airline industry.

3F. Future Committee Projects/Events: It was discussed that the airnoise.io app uses data from Webtrak—for informational purposes. One can ask Webtrak for a log, but it is not easy to obtain. Add to next meeting agenda: VNY Master Plan—procedures and process needs to be reviewed and updated. motion to be made and voted on.

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5. Adjournment by 5:30 pm. Meeting adjourned at 5:34pm

Next Airport Committee meeting: Next meeting will be a Special meeting and will be held on Thursday, April 15, 2021 @ 4pm to finish the items not completed