SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2008** SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT **BOARD ROOM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Bersin called the regular meeting of the Executive Committee and Special Board Meeting to order at 9:03 a.m., Monday, August 25, 2008, in the Board Room of the San Diego International Airport, Commuter Terminal, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Board Member Watkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Committee Members:

Bersin, Finnila, Watkins

Board Members:

Boland, Desmond, Miller, Panknin,

7ettel

Absent:

Committee Member:

None

Also Present: Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO; Edward Cahill, Assistant

General Counsel; Tony R. Russell, Director, Corporate

Services/Authority Clerk; Sara Real, Assistant Authority Clerk I

NEW BUSINESS

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes of the June 20, 2008 Committee Meeting.

ACTION: Moved by Board Member Watkins and seconded by Board Member Finnila to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2008 **Executive Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

2. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO AUTHORITY POLICY 3.40 REGARDING **AUTHORIZED TRAVEL BY BOARD MEMBERS OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES:**

Chairperson Bersin stated that this item was added to the agenda because there is interest from Board Members to attend The World Trade Council Trade Mission in the United Kingdom. He also stated that there have been other requests for travel.

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> Ed Cahill, Assistant General Counsel, stated that the proposed changes to the policy include allowing two Board Members to engage in international travel to the same event; when more than two Board Members wish to attend, a drawing can be held; and that international travel will be rotated to allow all members an opportunity.

> Board Member Watkins stated that prudent judgment should be used, and that he doesn't see a need for caps.

Board Member Zettel stated that the Authority should build strong relationships in the community and that traveling with our business partners to various destinations will build relationships.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend that the Board amend Authority Policy 3.40 regarding Board Member travel outside the Continental United States.

ACTION: Moved by Board Member Finnila and seconded by Board Member Watkins to forward this item to the Board for discussion and possible action, acknowledging that there was a difference of opinion among the Executive Committee members. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Bersin stated that there has been a request to establish a Commissioner Emeritus Status, and that he would like a discussion on this topic at a future meeting.

BUDGET AND FINANCE ITEMS

REVIEW OF FUTURE AGENDAS

3. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2008 AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION MEETING:

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, presented the draft Airport Land Use Commission meeting agenda for September 4, 2008.

Board Member Panknin stated that he attended a recent Air Transportation Advisory Group meeting, and there was concern regarding how much time will be given for each speaker.

Chairperson Bersin stated that three hours have been allocated for this item, and two minutes will be allowed per speaker.

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Ms. Bowens stated that she has received a request from the Mayor of the City of San Diego to defer Item 12, adoption of the Miramar Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. She stated that the reasons outlined in the letter are that the businesses around Miramar feel they have not had enough time to review and comment on the Environmental Impact Report. She stated that the standard 45-day period had been given, and that period has been closed for some time. She suggested that the concerned members of the public attend the Board meeting to voice their concerns.

Ed Cahill, Assistant General Counsel, stated that the Authority has fulfilled its obligations to the public for the Environmental Impact Report. He stated that the Board has the option to delay their decision to accommodate further hearings.

Board Member Desmond stated that a 30 day delay would be prudent.

Board Member Watkins stated that he would like to see the City address its issues before the Board takes action on this item. He stated that they have requested a continuance for a reason and that they are our partners in this process.

Board Member Finnila stated that the request for continuance is for a special interest group and that she felt the Board should move forward.

In response to Board Member Watkins regarding the impact of a 30 day delay, Angela Shafer-Payne, Vice President, Planning and Operations, stated that a delay would impact individual projects during that time and delay the City's ability to incorporate the plan into its General Plan.

Chairperson Bersin stated that it is important to know how much of a time deferral is being requested. He suggested that the item be left on the agenda so that the Board can hear public comment.

ACTION: Moved by Board Member Finnila and seconded by Board Member Watkins to accept the draft Airport Land Use Commission meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2008 BOARD MEETING:

Thella F. Bowens, President/CEO, presented the draft agenda for the September 4, 2008 Board Meeting.

Chairperson Bersin requested that staff provide an update on SB 1510, the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority Act, and AB 3034, the High Speed Passenger Train Bond Act.

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Regarding Item 7, Board Member Representation at Meetings, Board Member Zettel suggested adding legislative meetings of the San Diego Chamber of Commerce to the approved list.

Board Member Finnila noted that if the San Diego Chamber is included, all Chamber of Commerce's in the County should also be included.

Ed Cahill, Assistant General Counsel, stated that the General Counsel's office would advise the Board by memorandum whether the Board's pre-approval of Board member representation at meetings and events of a named organization included pre-approval to attend subcommittee meetings of the named organization.

During discussion of Item 8, Chairperson Bersin requested that the General Counsel advise the Board by memorandum clarifying the requirement that Board members remain present for at least one-half of meeting's duration even when no further business relating to the Authority was on the meeting's agenda.

In response to Board Member Finnila regarding Item 19, Award of Contract for Bankruptcy Legal, Ed Cahill, Assistant General Counsel, stated that the number of bankruptcy filings among tenants, car rental companies, airlines, etc., has risen over the past year and this law firm will assist the Authority in this area.

In response to Chairperson Bersin regarding Item 22, Award of Contract to Ricondo & Associates, Keith Wilschetz, Director, Airport Systems Planning, stated that the previous consultant handling Airport Land Use Commission issues was Mead & Hunt and their contract has been amended several times and rather than amending their contract again, the contract was put out to bid.

Chairperson Bersin stated that he would like a history of the aggregate costs of the entire Airport Land Use Commission process.

Regarding Item 23, Destination Lindbergh Update, Board Member Finnila expressed her concern that the direction of the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee is out of the hands of the Airport Authority. She requested to know what has been decided so far, what still needs to be decided, and by whom.

Chairperson Bersin stated that any Board Member participating in the Destination Lindbergh process should be prepared to report out at the next Board Meeting.

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> Board Member Desmond expressed his opinion that the Airport Authority still has a lot of influence on the Committee, and none of the outcome is pre-determined.

Ms. Bowens stated that there have been a lot of misunderstandings about Destination Lindbergh, and what is in the Memorandum of Agreement. She stated that the presentation will walk through the basics of those issues, and give an update on what discussions have taken place. She further stated that it will be an excellent opportunity for staff to give its update and for Board Members who are on the Committee to give their input.

Chairperson Bersin noted that all Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee Meetings are noticed as Special Board Meetings to allow all Board Members to participate, if desired. He requested a Special Board Meeting in September or October be held to review all aspects of Destination Lindbergh.

Ms. Bowens suggested that the September 17, 2008 Executive Committee Meeting be changed to a Special Board Meeting for an update and discussion of Destination Lindbergh.

Board Member Finnila stated that the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee needs to have the full purpose of the Airport in mind. She further stated that the Committee is beyond the control of the Airport Authority.

Board Member Watkins noted that when the Airport Authority signed the Memorandum of Agreement with the other regional agencies, some responsibility was given to the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee. He further stated that the final decision still rests with the Airport Authority.

Chairperson Bersin concurred, stating that the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee presents ideas, but the Airport Authority still makes the decisions.

Board Member Desmond requested a new section be added to the agenda under Board Member Reports to allow reports on projects such as the floating airport proposed by Ocean Works.

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PRESIDENT/CEO REPORT

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m. The next meeting will be held on September 17, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the San Diego International Airport, Commuter Terminal, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THIS 17^{th} DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008.

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DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES/

AUTHORITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BRETON K. LOBNER GENERAL COUNSEL