

SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025
SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARDROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cabrera called the Regular Meeting of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority Board to order at 9:05 a.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2025, in the Boardroom at the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, Administration Building, 2417 McCain Road, San Diego, CA 92101.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Cabrera led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Board Members: Benzian, Cabrera (Chair), Fox (Ex-Officio), Herrmann (Ex-Officio), Martinez, Montgomery Steppe, Perez, Sly (Vice Chair), Vaus

ABSENT: Board Members: Perrault (Ex-Officio), Sanchez, von Wilpert

ALSO PRESENT: Kimberly Becker, President/CEO; Amy Gonzalez, General Counsel; Annette Fagan Ortiz, Authority Clerk; Patricia Willis, Assistant Authority Clerk II

Board Member Sly arrived at the meeting at 9:11 a.m.

PRESENTATIONS:

A. REVIEW OF THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025:

Scott Brickner, Vice President/CFO provided a presentation on the Review of the Unaudited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025, and 2024 which included, Operating Revenues; Operating Expenses, Non-Operating Revenue & Expenses; Financial Summary; and Statement of Net Position.

B. BRAND & CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE:

Jon Graves, Director, Customer Experience provided a presentation on Brand & Customer Experience which included, New Brand Positioning and Logo; New San.org Website; and New Gate Pass Program.

REPORTS FROM BOARD COMMITTEES, AD HOC COMMITTEES, AND CITIZEN COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS:

- **AUDIT COMMITTEE:** Chair Newsom reported that the Audit Committee met on September 8, 2025, where the Committee reviewed Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Report - Audit Committee, Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Report - Office of the Chief Auditor, Annual Review of the Charter - Audit Committee, Annual Review of the Charter - Office of the Chief Auditor, and Revision to the Fiscal Year 2026 Audit Plan - Office of the Chief Auditor, these will be on the October Board Agenda.
- **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE:** Board Member Perez reported that the CIPOC meeting was held on July 10, 2025. He reported that the building was successfully turned over to the Airport Authority on August 20, 2025, and since that time the concession contractors have been finishing up their spaces, and the JV has been working on their punch list. He reported that the commissioning process is completed and yesterday all badged employees from the Airport walked through the facility. He also reported that the team is busy looking past the opening on September 23, 2025, to the demolition of existing Terminal 1 which will begin early October and at the upcoming CIPOC meeting, the staff will present the schedule for existing Terminal 1 demolition and a recap of the NT1 opening.
- **EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE:**
Chair Cabrera reported that the Executive Personnel and Compensation Committee did not meet last month and that there are no scheduled meetings for the rest of the year.
- **FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Board Member Sly reported that the Finance Committee met on August 25, 2025, and at the meeting, the committee reviewed the Unaudited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2025, as well as the Authority Investment Report as of July 31, 2025. Additionally, the Committee received a presentation on New T1 updates from Airport Design & Construction, Terminal Business Development, External Relations, and Operational Planning & Readiness.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

- **AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Board Member Benzian reported that on July 24, 2025, the Authority Advisory Committee and Audit Committee toured the New T1, giving them a firsthand look at the new facility.

- **ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Board Member Martinez reported that the NT1 Phase A public artwork has been successfully installed and this week, the Arts Team installed temporary rotating exhibit Snapshot San Diego in the new multi-use gallery space in NT1.

LIAISONS

- **CALTRANS:** None
- **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS:** Chair Cabrera reported that Congress returned from Summer Recess on September 2nd and resumed consideration of Fiscal Year 2026 appropriations. The current federal agency funding runs out on September 30th, and Congress will likely need to pass a continuing resolution to fund federal agencies if no deal is reached by the end of this month. He also reported that in Sacramento, the Legislature reconvened from Summer Recess on August 18, 2025, and has until tomorrow to send any remaining bills to the Governor's desk for signature. The Governor has until October 12 to sign or veto all bills.
- **MILITARY AFFAIRS:** Col. Herrmann reported that the America's Air Show event is fifteen days away and Miramar Marine Base will be hosting it. Last year over 300,038 people attended and there is an expectation that more will attend this year due to it being a precursor to the Marine Corps 250th anniversary celebration. He reported that they are in the early planning stages for the Navy and Marine Corps 250th anniversary celebrations that will take place in October/November. He also reported that Naval Air Station North Island will be holding NASCAR event in 2026.
- **PORT:** None
- **WORLD TRADE CENTER:** None

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES (EXTERNAL)

- **SANDAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** Chair Cabrera reported that the SANDAG Board of Directors met twice, and at the first meeting, the Board considered approving the release of the Flexible Fleets Pilot Grant Program call for projects. At the second meeting, the Board was asked to approve amendments to SANDAG's board policies related to the agency's finances, general administration, and capital projects.
- **SANDAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:** Board Member Perez reported that the SANDAG Transportation Committee met twice since the last board meeting. At the first meeting, the committee held a public hearing to receive public comment on SANDAG's draft 2025 Regional Plan and its Sustainable Communities Strategy and at the second meeting, Matt Harris, the Authority's Director of Government

Relations and Strategy, presented on the New T1, giving the committee a preview of Phase 1A and how the traveling public can use the new on-airport roadway. Following this presentation, SANDAG staff provided an update on the advanced planning and outreach for the Airport Transit Connection project.

CHAIR REPORT: Chair Cabrera reported that for the last couple of months, the Airport Authority team has been coordinating hard hat tours to give some of our important stakeholders the opportunity to see the new terminal firsthand before it opens to the public. Representative Scott Peters and his district office staff, Rep. Peters has been a strong advocate for SAN and has helped secure millions of dollars in federal funding. Our local labor leaders and union members toured the new terminal and just this week, San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria, along with this year's "Mayor for a Day", Landry Lyn Schaub Gage, an eighth grader at Pershing Middle School in San Carlos toured the new terminal. He also reported that phase 1A of the New Terminal 1 will open in less than two weeks and that this is a milestone that was years in the making. Chair Cabrera thanked everyone who has worked so hard to make this a reality, with a special shout out to the Airport Design and Construction team, the Joint Venture, and the Operational Readiness Activation and Transition team for all their hard work in getting us across the finish line.

PRESIDENT/CEO REPORT: Kim Becker, President/CEO, reported that JV reached a substantial completion on August 20, 2025, for the New Terminal 1 and a punch list of remaining items will continue through the opening of NT1 on September 23, 2025, and beyond. The contractors are finalizing the airlines and tenants move to NT1 and the ORAT Team is conducting operational trials and employee training. The New Airport Access Road was opened on August 1, 2025. She reported that there will be some modifications to the signage and finished items to be done on the roadway. On September 10, 2025, there was an all-employees event at NT1, where the airport employees had the opportunity to see and walk through it. She reported that on Sunday, September 14, there will be a Community Open House, where the public can visit NT1 and there is no registration needed for this event. She reported that Southwest Airlines announced that they will be expanding their service, adding five new or resuming destinations and increasing flights in key markets. Just yesterday they announced a flight to Santa Rosa, effective April 7, 2026, which brings Southwest's total to 41 destinations from San Diego, with six of those being redeyes. She also reported that Alaska Airlines' new seasonal route to Spring Valley, Idaho, will be operating three times a week starting from December 19, 2025, to March 31, 2026, and this will create six new destinations for the airline this year, with a total of 45 nonstop from San Diego. She reported that the Airport Authority received two awards recently, the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for Fiscal Year 2024, which the Airport Authority has maintained annual recognition since 2003, and the second award, Airports Council International/North America for Airport Workforce Development.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: Kevin Westlye, COO, High Flying Foods thanked the Board for approving the 2 percent surcharge in the terminals.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 1 - 10):

ACTION: Moved by Board Member Vaus and seconded by Board Member Sly to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by the following votes: YES – Benzian, Cabrera, Martinez, Montgomery Steppe, Perez, Sly, Vaus; NO – None; ABSENT – Sanchez, von Wilpert (Weighted Vote Points: YES – 75; NO – 0; ABSENT – 25)

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes of the June 30, 2025, Special Board and Executive & Finance Meeting, July 10, 2025, Regular Meeting, and August 25, 2025, Special Board Meeting.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS' WRITTEN REPORTS ON THEIR ATTENDANCE AT APPROVED MEETINGS AND PRE-APPROVAL OF ATTENDANCE AT OTHER MEETINGS NOT COVERED BY THE CURRENT RESOLUTION:

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the reports and pre-approve Board Member attendance at other meetings, trainings and events not covered by the current resolution.

3. AWARDED CONTRACTS AND APPROVED CHANGE ORDERS FROM JUNE 6, 2025, THROUGH AUGUST 7, 2025, AND REAL PROPERTY AGREEMENTS GRANTED AND ACCEPTED FROM JUNE 6, 2025, THROUGH AUGUST 7, 2025:

RECOMMENDATION: Receive the report.

4. SEPTEMBER 2025 LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2025-0055, approving the September 2025 Legislative Report.

CLAIMS:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

5. ACCEPT THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025:

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends that the Board accept the report.

6. **ACCEPT THE AUTHORITY INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF JULY 31, 2025:**
RECOMMENDATION: Accept the report.
(Finance: Scott Brickner, Vice President/Chief Financial Officer)

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS:

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS AND/OR AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS EXCEEDING \$1 MILLION:

7. **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT/CEO TO EXECUTE A 1ST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH SECURITYHQ, INC. DBA SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP, FOR CYBERSECURITY - MANAGED SECURITY SERVICES:**
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2025-0056, approving and authorizing the President/CEO to execute a 1st Amendment to the Agreement with SecurityHQ, Inc. dba SHI International Corp, for Cybersecurity - Managed Security Services, adding an additional Four Hundred Forty-Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars and Sixty-Five cents (\$440,523.65) increasing the total maximum amount payable to One Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,100,000.00) over the entire term of the agreement.
8. **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT/CEO TO EXECUTE AN ON-CALL COMMISSIONING AUTHORITY CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT AT SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:**
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2025-0057, approving and authorizing the President/CEO to negotiate and execute an On-Call Commissioning Authority Consulting Services Agreement with CriticalArc, for a term of three (3) years, with the option for two (2) one-year extensions, in a an amount not-to-exceed \$6,000,000.00, in support of the Capital Improvement Program, New T1, and other sustainability and facility operations initiatives at San Diego International Airport.
9. **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE AN INCREASE IN THE PRESIDENT/CEO'S CHANGE ORDER AUTHORITY FOR REFURBISH PASSENGER BOARDING BRIDGES - PHASE 2 AT SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:**
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2025-0058, waiving Policy 5.02(4)(b)(iii) and Policy 5.02(1)(c) and approving and authorizing an increase in the President/CEO's change order authority from \$234,728.00 to an amount not to exceed \$2,444,000.00 for Project No. 104194B, Refurbish Passenger Boarding Bridges - Phase 2 at San Diego International Airport.

10. AWARD A CONTRACT TO G&G SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR, INC. FOR QUIETER HOME PROGRAM PHASE 14, GROUP 3, PROJECT NO. 381403 TWENTY-SIX (26) NON-HISTORIC SINGLE-FAMILY AND MULTI-FAMILY UNITS ON TWENTY (20) RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCATED EAST AND WEST OF THE SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2026-0059, awarding a contract to G&G Specialty Contractor, Inc., in the amount of \$1,630,981.00 for Phase 14, Group 3, Project No. 381403, of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority's Quieter Home Program and making a finding that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

CLOSED SESSION: The Board recessed into Closed Session at 9:44 a.m. to hear items 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16.

11. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION: Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9
Name of Case: *San Diego County Regional Airport Authority v. AQ US SW Holding Co., et al.*, San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2023-00032124-CU-BC- CTL 15

12. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION: Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 Number of potential Cases: 2

13. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION: Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9
Name of Case: *Sara Mitchell v. San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, et al.*, San Diego Superior Court Case No. 24CU022992C

14. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION: Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9
Name of Case: *United States of America v. City of San Diego, et al. and Related Cross Actions*, United States District Court Case No. 3:23-CV-00541-LL-BGS

15. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION: Paragraph (1) and (2) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9
Claimant: James Cunningham
Agency Claimed Against: San Diego County Regional Airport Authority
Workers Compensation Case No. ADJ16964173

- 16. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES:** Paragraph (a) of Cal. Gov. Code §54957
Consultation with Rick Francis, Vice President and Chief Operations Officer; and Amiel Porta, Director Airside & Terminal Operations

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: The Board reconvened out of Closed Session at 11:14 a.m.

GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT: Amy Gonzalez, General Counsel, reported that on July 10, 2025, in Closed Session, the Board authorized the President/CEO to negotiate and enter into a purchase and sale agreement with LR San Diego Wally Park, LLC for property located at 3298 Kettner Blvd., San Diego, CA 92101, in an amount not to exceed \$52,000,000.00 and delegate, if applicable, Authority to make a determination under the California Environmental Quality Act to the President/CEO pursuant unto CEQA guidelines 15025A. She also reported that the property was sold on September 3, 2025, for the amount of \$36,500,000.00.

BOARD COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD THIS 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

ATTEST:



MIA COURTNEY
DEPUTY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



AMY GONZALEZ
GENERAL COUNSEL