



**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Airport Advisory Commission  
Wednesday, June 5, 2019  
3:00PM – 5:00PM  
Colorado Springs Airport, Conference Room B**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** John Maier – Chairman  
Bill Nichols – Vice Chairman  
Andi Biancur – Commissioner  
Hal Ellis – Commissioner  
Aaron Wood – Commissioner  
Chic Myers – Commissioner

**COMMISSIONER ABSENT:** David L. Couch – Commissioner

**NON-VOTING  
MEMBERS PRESENT:** Michelle Ruehl – Alternate Commissioner  
Mark Volcheff – Alternate Commissioner  
Bill Murray – City Council Representative  
Dave Elliott – Meadow Lake Airport Liaison

**NON-VOTING  
MEMBERS ABSENT:** Tamara Hunziker – Alternate Commissioner  
Councilor Andy Pico – City Council Representative  
County Commissioner Stan VanderWerf – Liaison Commissioner  
County Commissioner Mark Waller – Liaison Commissioner

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Troy Stover – Assistant Director of Aviation  
Michael Gendill – Legal Advisor  
Jane Acosta – Administrative Technician  
Kevin Keith – Aviation Planner

I. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 3:05PM JUNE 5, 2019 by CHAIRMAN MAIER**

II. **SPECIAL MEETING – Land Use Items**

Airport staff presented and discussed two (2) Land Use Items in the City.

Land Use Item #3, The Ridge at Sand Creek, was tabled at the scheduled Airport Advisory Commission meeting, May 22, 2019.

Chairman Maier motioned to approve Land Use Item #3. The motion recommended that airport staff coordinate with the developer (as had been done on the Patriot Park development) to add a note on the PUD Development Plan stating the Ridge at Sand Creek lies within an Airport Overlay District and may be subject to noise from operation at the airport. Vice Chairman Nichols seconded.

Discussion: Questions were raised about the adequacy of the recommended note to insure timely notification to a potential buyer of proximity of the airport. The commissioners also discussed how improved buyer notification might be developed within the existing or a future statutory framework.

Vote: **APPROVED (Unanimous)**

The Commissioners (in a working session) discussed the process of formulating land use resolutions, and expressed their views on the appropriateness and applicability of the resulting recommendations. Commissioners shared a very broad diversity of opinion. No motions were entertained and no votes were taken.

Airport Staff also shared that historically, a very high percentage of additional recommendation approved by the Commission, had been successfully implemented through negotiation by Airport Staff with developers/petitioner and the City/County Planning staffs.

Land Use Item #4:

A motion to reconsider Land Use Item #4 was made by Chairman Maier and Seconded by Vice Chairman Nichols.

Discussion: Several Commissioners requested clarification on why Land Use Item #4 was being presented for reconsideration. In the course of an extended discussion, it became clear that the wording of the resolution previously approved required clarification.

**FINAL VOTE to Reconsider Land Use Item #4: APPROVED (Unanimous)**

Commissioner Ellis motioned to recommend approval of Land Use Item #4 with a recommendation that the developer consider noise abatement procedures in the construction of the facilities because a significant portion of air traffic inbound to one of the primary runways at Colorado Springs will pass directly overhead the proposed facility at a relatively low altitude on a regular basis. Commissioner Biancur seconded.

Discussion: None

**VOTE: APPROVED (Unanimous)**

III. **COMMISSION MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

- No additional Comments

IV. **CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

- No additional Comments

V. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08PM.

The next meeting date is Wednesday, June 26, 2019