

**MINUTES OF  
LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
AIRPORT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Chair Wilma Heaton  
Vice Chair Thomas Fierke  
Commissioner Roy Arrigo  
Commissioner Pat Meadowcroft

**STAFF:** Louis Capo – Executive Director  
Sarion Granger – Human Resources Analyst  
Daniel Hill – Director of Engineering & Operations  
Bruce Martin – Deputy Airport Director

**PUBLIC:** Gregory Trahan – AECOM (Project Engineer)  
Josh Dagro – Barber Brothers (Project Manager)  
Brian Smith – M.B.I. (Michael Baker International, Inc.) – (Project Manager)  
Ralph Hennessy – M.B.I. (Michael Baker International, Inc.) – (Director)  
Darren Persick – Kutchins & Groh (Project Manager)  
Greg Groh – Kutchins & Groh  
George Groh – Kutchins & Groh (Managing Principal)  
Jeff Sumner – G.E.C., Inc. (Engineer)  
Jonathan Puls – G.E.C., Inc. (Project Engineer)  
Anthony Marino – G.E.C., Inc. (Senior Vice President)

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The Airport Committee of the Lakefront Management Authority met on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, in the Lakefront Airport Terminal Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, 6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana.

Chair Heaton called the meeting to order at 2:43 p.m.

**Opening Comments:** None

**Motion to Adopt Agenda:**

A motion was offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Meadowcroft, and unanimously adopted, to adopt the agenda.

**Motion to Approve Minutes:**

A motion was offered by Commissioner Arrigo, seconded by Commissioner Fierke, and unanimously adopted, to approve the minutes of September 17, 2019.

**Public Comments:** None

**Airport Director's Report:** Attached

**New Business:**

**Discussion and recommendation regarding parking of a Veteran's mobile clinic bus (Protac) at the Airport Terminal:**

Canaan Heard, Protac Fitness, explained that the VA (United States Department of Veterans Affairs) is searching for a parking spot for a 40-ft mobile clinic bus that will provide first aid and medical relief to veterans. He stated that they need 24-hour access and the bus must be parked inside of a secured gated area. Mr. Heard recommended parking the mobile clinic bus east of the National Guard Hangar. Bruce Martin, Deputy Airport Director, suggested that they schedule a meeting to discuss this recommendation. Chair Heaton requested that Mr. Heard and Mr. Martin collaborate and present their ideas to the Board at the October 24, 2019 Board Meeting.

**Discussion and recommendation for approval of the Airport Storm Water Plan:**

Bruce Martin, Deputy Airport Director, stated that it's time to apply for federal funding. He explained that the Authority has drainage issues, and the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) requires a comprehensive plan. Mr. Martin stated that a comprehensive plan has been completed and it is ready to be sent to the FAA. He explained that the FAA requested that the comprehensive plan expand over a period of years. Commissioner Arrigo stated that the FAA paid for a study plan and he requested that the plan be circulated to the Airport Committee members.

- A motion was offered by Commissioner Arrigo, seconded by Commissioner Fierke, and unanimously adopted, for the Committee to recommend to the Board for approval to send the comprehensive plan to the FAA.

Discussion and recommendation for approval of Capital Improvement Plan.

**Discussion and recommendation regarding proposal submitted by Ochsner Health Systems to place signage on Stars and Stripes Blvd:**

Bruce Martin, Deputy Airport Director, stated that Ochsner Health Systems has requested approval to place a 7 ft sign outside of the fence on Stars and Stripes across from the National Guard Hangar Blvd. He explained that Ochsner requested to change the location to in front of the National Guard Hangar because their corporate office insisted that they place a sign at the New Orleans Lakefront Airport to notify the public of their location. Commissioner Fierke asked if the sign would interfere with traffic. Mr. Martin responded that the dimensions of the sign is flexible. Chair Heaton requested that Mr. Martin meet with Captain Michael Brenckle from the Orleans Levee District Police Department to ensure that the sign doesn't interfere with traffic flow. Commissioner Meadowcroft suggested that the Authority request a traffic study. Commissioner Fierke asked if Ochsner has a contract with the Lakefront Management Authority. Chair Heaton responded that Ochsner is a tenant of Signature. Commissioner Arrigo suggested placing a marquee sign that lists all of the Lakefront Management Authority's Properties. Chair Heaton stated that the sign would have to coincide with the Authority's current signage.

Discussion and recommendation for approval to increase the DOTD Office of Aviation Funding for the construction of Project No. 2 in the Drainage Plan for F/Y 2020-2021.

Discussion and recommendation for approval to request Capital Outlay Funding for the Drainage Plan and other projects identified for the airport. Chair Heaton advised that Bruce Martin, Deputy Airport Director, is creating a memo that includes the projects that the Authority should request for Capital Outlay Funding.

Discussion and recommendation for approval to request 100% funding from the DOTD Office of Aviation for the Drainage Plan.

Discussion and recommendation for approval to request funding from the FAA/ATF for funding of the Drainage Plan.

Discussion and recommendation to include in the Airport Master Plan a Drainage Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

**Status report on the Four Winds Fountain:**

Chair Heaton stated that she met with Dr. Tlaloc Alferez, Dr. Enrique Alferez's daughter, to discuss fundraising for the Four Winds Fountain Restoration Project. Chair Heaton noted that Dr. Alferez approved the architect and contractor's design plans. Chair Heaton stated that the remaining cost to restore the fountain is between \$90,000 - \$100,000. She advised that Dr. Alferez will provide a 3-D scan of the fountain.

**Announcement of next Airport Committee Meeting:**

**1) Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – 2:30 PM**

**Adjourn:**

A motion was offered by Commissioner Meadowcroft, seconded by Commissioner Fierke, and unanimously adopted, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:33 PM.