# ORMOND BEACH AIRCRAFT NOISE ABATEMENT TASK FORCE

October 8, 2009 6:00 p.m.

Senior Center 351 Andrews Street Ormond Beach, Florida

#### I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. Ken Byrnes, Vince Kinsler, Terry Perkins, Larry Volenec, Ty Wilson and Joe Wisniewski were present. Kim Nichols and Trish Sundblad were excused. Lee Fannell was absent. Staff present was Joyce Shanahan City Manager, Joe Mannarino Economic Development Director, Steven Lichliter Airport Manager, Ann-Margret Emery Deputy City Attorney, and Terri Hamsher Secretary.

## II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the September 24, 2009, meeting were approved as submitted.

#### **III.** Audience Comments

Lou Lumaghi, 1 Cliffside Drive, spoke on low flying planes and the October 3<sup>rd</sup> workshop.

Sean Daly, Northbrook, commented on planes flying over his subdivision and requested that the Northbrook and Oak Forest subdivisions were noted on the traffic pattern map as noise sensitive areas. He also spoke on riders on deeds and overlay districts.

Robert Bruscoe, 55 Timberlake Lane, requested the Hidden Hills subdivision also be noted on the map as a noise sensitive area.

#### IV. Discussion

#### a. October 3, 2009 Workshop

The task force discussed the workshop and ideas that were presented for noise abatement.

## b. Recommendations to be brought before the City Commission

The task force reviewed and discussed each recommendation and determined which ones they would present to the City Commission. The task force discussed a letter of commitment for flight schools. The voting on the recommendations is noted below:

#### **Supported Recommendations**

## Category 1: Flight Procedure Recommendations

1. Request pilots to fly high and tight traffic patterns.

Motion: Mr. Perkins. Second: Mr. Wisniewski

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Request pilots to stay as far west of the river as possible. This recommendation was amended to read: Request pilots departing to the south to stay as far west of the river as possible.

Motion: Mr. Perkins, Second: Mr. Wisniewski

Motion passed unanimously as amended.

3. Request pilots to call for use of the least noise sensitive runway whenever wind conditions permit.

Motion: Mr. Perkins, Second: Mr. Wisniewski

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Request flight schools to practice maneuvers over unpopulated areas, and at varied locations.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

5. Have FAA state specifically what the City can and cannot do to regulate flight training operations.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

6. Request that pilots avoid prolonged run ups, and do them inside the airport area, rather than perimeter areas.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

7. Request that all flight schools provide information and mark aircraft for identification purposes. This recommendation was amended to read: Request that all flight schools provide their "N" numbers to the City for identification purposes.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins Motion passed unanimously as amended.

8. Request that pilots refrain from intersection departures.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

9. Establish maximum number of aircraft that may be in the pattern at any one time. This recommendation was amended to read: Request pilots to use alternate airport for flight training when Ormond Airport is busy.

Motion: Mr. Wisniewski, Second: Mr. Byrnes

Motion passed unanimously as amended.

10. Request pilots to reduce to climb power as soon as safe and practical after takeoff.

Motion: Mr. Wisniewski, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

11. Request pilots to climb after liftoff at best-angle-of-climb speed until crossing the airport boundary, then climb at best rate.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

12. Request pilots to climb straight following departure procedures to pattern altitude.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

13. Request flight instructors to stress that high rpm prop settings are reserved for takeoff and for short final but not for flying the pattern.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

14. Request flight schools to minimize night touch-and-go training at airports in residential areas.

This recommendation was combined with recommendation #16 below.

15. Request pilots flying constant-speed-prop aircraft to not use high rpm settings in the pattern.

Motion: Mr. Perkins, Second: Mr. Wilson

Motion passed unanimously.

16. Request pilots to practice night operations at major fields where a smaller airplane's sound is less obtrusive. Recommendation #14 above and this recommendation were combined and amended to read: Minimize night operations training at Ormond and practice night operations at major fields.

Motion: Mr. Perkins, Second: Mr. Wilson Motion passed unanimously as amended.

17. Request pilots to try low-power approaches, and avoid low, dragged in approaches.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

# **Category 2: Noise Abatement Procedures and Monitoring**

1. Conduct random checks in noise sensitive neighborhoods to verify noise abatement procedures are being followed.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Provide an aircraft noise complaint hotline/website/database or other.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Acquire ANOMS for the airport. This recommendation was amended to read: Explore/consider the prospect of ANOMS.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously as amended.

4. Request flight schools to work with instructors and customers to implement voluntary noise abatement procedures.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Initiate pilot education programs to teach and explain the rationale for noise abatement procedures and positive community relations.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Request flight schools to post noise abatement procedures in a prominent area, and encourage all pilots to adhere to them.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Request that flight instructors know noise-sensitive areas, and point them out to students.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

8. Request that flight schools assure instructors are teaching safe noise abatement techniques.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

9. Monitor noise abatement education with the flight schools.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

10. Request flight schools to include noise abatement as a standard part of their curriculum.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

11. Develop helicopter noise abatement form (similar to fixed wing) and use to discuss with all helicopter schools.

Motion: Mr. Wisniewski, Second: Mr. Wilson

Motion passed unanimously.

12. Publish noise abatement procedure in local newspapers and in aviation publications like the Airport Facilities Directory, SIDS, and STARS. This recommendation was amended to read: Publish and display noise abatement procedures at airport and as appropriate.

Motion: Mr. Wisniewski, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously.

13. Make noise abatement committee permanent. This recommendation was amended to read: Make noise abatement a permanent part of the Aviation Advisory Board agenda.

Motion: Mr. Byrnes, Second: Mr. Perkins Motion passed unanimously as amended.

13. b. Addendum to #13: Make a recommendation to have two citizens from noise sensitive areas be appointed to the Aviation Advisory Board.

Motion: Mr. Wilson, Second: Mr. Wisniewski

In favor: Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Kinsler, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Wisniewski

Opposed: Mr. Volenec

Motion passed.

14. Mail copies of noise abatement procedures with monthly hangar and tie-down bills. Make copies available for transient pilots.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

15. Request that flight instructors assure that students fly at or above the recommended pattern altitude.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

16. Request flight instructors to endorse students' logbooks for landing at remote fields, to reduce touch-and-go activity at local airports.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

17. Contact FAA to see if a daily mosaic of flight tracks can be produced to verify use of noise abatement procedures. This item was amended to read: Explore the prospect of obtaining a daily mosaic of flight tracks to verify noise abatement procedures are being followed.

Motion: Mr. Kinsler, Second: Mr. Byrnes Motion passed unanimously as amended.

## **Category 3: Airport Operations and Financial recommendations**

1. Implement landing fees. This recommendation was amended to read: Explore implementing appropriate airport fees.

Motion: Mr. Wilson, Second: Mr. Kinsler

In favor: Mr. Kinsler, Mr. Wilson

Opposed: Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Volenec, Mr. Wisniewski

Motion did not pass.

2. Pursue grant money for ANOMS.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

# **Category 4: Miscellaneous Recommendations**

1. Review land use zoning and building codes for compatible land use around the airport.

Motion: Mr. Perkins, Second: Mr. Wisniewski

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Patterns, approach and departure paths should be designated on city zoning and planning maps.

Motion: Mr. Perkins, Second: Mr. Wisniewski

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Request that flight schools log all flights for each aircraft, including their exact locations and amount of time in the air.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

4. Establish a quantifiable baseline prior to project implementation to objectively gauge effectiveness. This item was amended to read: Establishing benchmarks to objectively quantify noise abatement procedure effectiveness.

Motion: Mr. Volenec, Second: Mr. Perkins

Motion passed unanimously as amended.

5. Rank Noise Abatement projects by Cost (H=1, M=2, L=3), Effectiveness in Reducing Noise (H=3, M=2, L=1), Ease of implementation (H=3, M=2, L=1). The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the

Commission.

6. Sum rankings for each project and rank projects highest sum to lowest sum. Goal is to implement projects that are low cost, high effectiveness, and easy to implement.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

# Non-supported Recommendations

# **Category 1: Fight Procedure Recommendations**

1. Mandate specific hours of operations for flight training.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

2. Ban touch and go operations.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

#### Category 2: Noise Abatement Procedures and Monitoring

1. Explore making voluntary noise abatement procedures mandatory w/penalty.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

2. Investigate penalties for non-compliance with noise abatement procedures.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

# **Category 3: Airport Operations and Financial recommendations**

1. Investigate actual cost to close the airport.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

## **Category 4: Miscellaneous Recommendations**

1. Establish a moratorium on additional flight schools.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

# Recommendations Mr. Baldwin Did Not Comment On

# **Category 2: Noise Abatement Procedures and Monitoring**

1. Provide periodic noise abatement compliance updates.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

# **Category 3: Airport Operations and Financial recommendations**

1. Require airport to make money.

Mr. Kinsler agreed to write a statement that the task force voiced specific concerns about financial operations at the airport relative to the increase in traffic or operations at the airport.

2. Engage an outside firm to audit the finances of the airport, and determine the airport's actual economic benefit to the city.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

3. Establish a moratorium on improvements at the airport until noise abatement issues are settled.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

4. Produce a copy of the actual deed to the airport.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

5. Determine cost benefit ratio, based on loss of tax revenue versus increased income from airport.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

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6. Review existing lease agreements.

The task force agreed they would not bring this recommendation before the Commission.

## **Category 4: Miscellaneous Recommendations**

1. Mandate growth management of airport.

The task force discussed this issue; an overlay district currently existed and the overlay district was discussed at a planning meeting where residents spoke against it. Ms. Shanahan agreed to have this looked into and obtain the overlay zone.

## V. Future Agenda Topics

There were no future agenda topics discussed.

#### VI. Member Comments

Mr. Byrnes discussed new technology, that there may be a way to get mosaics on flights and he would look into this.

Mr. Volenec spoke on the workshop and Mr. Baldwin's optimism in getting things accomplished.

Mr. Wilson asked about the timeline on the software system. Mr. Lichliter replied that they are researching this.

#### VII. Staff Comments

There were no staff comments.

## **VIII. Next Meeting Date**

November 5, 2009, 6:00 p.m.

## IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Terri Hamsher, Recording Secretary
Attest:
Vince Kinsler, Chairman