



**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
PHOENIX-MESA GATEWAY AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS | April 16, 2019**

A public meeting of the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport Authority was convened on **Tuesday, April 16, 2019**, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room (Saguaro A & B) of the Gateway Administration Building, 5835 S Sossaman Road, Mesa, Arizona.

Members Present

Mayor Jeff Serdy, Apache Junction
Lt. Governor Robert Stone, Gila River
Indian Community*
Mayor Gail Barney, Queen Creek *(via telephone)*
Mayor Thelda Williams, Phoenix *(via telephone)*
Mayor John Giles, Mesa
Councilmember Jordan Ray, Gilbert
**Neither present nor represented*

Airport Staff Present

J. Brian O'Neill, Executive Director/CEO
Scott Brownlee, Deputy Director/COO
Chuck Odom, CFO
Maria Gonzalez, Clerk of the Board
Jill Casson Owen, Attorney

Guests Present

Amy Arguilez, Town of Gilbert
Matt Busby, City of Apache Junction
Alfa Cortez, Paradies
Rhonda Curtis, Wells Fargo
Monica D'Ortenzio, Town of Gilbert
Shawn Filip, DWL Architects
Dan Gallegos, WFS
Chris Hacker, Mead & Hunt
Ken Halverson, Jetstrip
Benjamin Hernandez, Arizona Spaceport Alliance

Perry Koon, Intel
Jim Lauer, DPR
Mark Myers, WFS
Ward Nichols, ASU
John Pearson, C+S Engineers
Bobby Walker, DPR
Heather Wilkey, Town of Queen Creek
Bob Winrow, WSP USA
Melissa Yeager, AZ Republic
Ephinee Zaragoza, Paradies

1. Call to Order at 9:01 a.m. (Mayor Jeff Serdy)

2. Call to the Public.

There were no public comments.

3. Executive Director's Report. - J. Brian O'Neill, A.A.E., Executive Director/CEO

Executive Director O'Neill provided a briefing on PMGAA financial performance, passenger activity, the community noise report, and various Airport projects. Fiscal Year-to-Date (FYTD) Net Operating Income is \$1,822,832.

- Air Service Development: Flair Air, which operated to both Winnipeg and Edmonton, ended their transborder winter season early. Flair Air is a new ultra-low-cost airline and PMGAA anticipates their return next year.
- In March, Allegiant began a pilot program that relocated 10 additional aircraft to Gateway Airport on Saturdays to operate additional frequency to popular markets. The program was successful and PMGAA is in discussions with Allegiant to include the pilot program in next March's schedule. Also, Allegiant began new service to Grand Junction, Colorado, and next month will start nonstop service to Kalispell, Montana (Glacier National Park).

- Gateway Airport's new aviation fuel provider is World Fuel Services. They bring a strong national reputation, additional resources, and new fueling technology that will allow our operation to be even more efficient.
- Gateway Airport was named the 2019 Arizona Airport of the Year by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT); and on behalf of the Authority, Deputy Director Scott Brownlee is attending the 2019 AzAA Spring Conference in Laughlin, Nevada to accept this year's award. Executive Director O'Neill thanked the PMGAA Board of Directors for their leadership, guidance, and support.
- The ADOT land purchase was finalized for remnant land adjacent to SR24 on the eastside of the Airport. PMGAA can now relocate the Ellsworth Channel and maximize development opportunities on the eastside of the Airport.
- The Taxiway Charlie construction project will be completed on May 4th and Runway 30R-12L will reopen for aircraft activity. The Federal Aviation Administration, in partnership with PMGAA, provided a significant Airport Improvement Program discretionary grant of approximately \$6M dollars to help complete this important \$10M airport infrastructure project.
- PMGAA will hold a ribbon-cutting for the newly-renovated Gateway Aviation Services facility following the Board Meeting. Executive Director O'Neill applauded the Board for investing to improve the appearance and functionality of the facility that is used by general aviation, corporate, and our military.
- PMGAA continues to work with the Congressional delegation and remains hopeful that it will receive an \$18M supplemental grant for construction of a new Air Traffic Control Tower. If PMGAA receives a grant award, staff is ready to move forward with construction as early as January 2020.
- Terminal Concession Expansion and new Concessionaire Selections. The Board approved investing \$2M to double the amount of space allocated in the terminal for food & beverage and retail concessions. PMGAA is in the process of completing a Request For Proposals (RFP) for new food & beverage and retail concessionaires in the commercial passenger terminal. Proposals are currently being evaluated and staff is confident that Airport customers will be very pleased with the proposed brand selections. The anticipated date for PMGAA Board consideration is June 18th.
- PMGAA is constructing covered parking in the Ray Road Economy Lot.
- Customer Facility Charge (CFC) funds will be used to erect covered parking in the Car Rental Ready-Return Lot adjacent to the terminal.

Mayor Giles acknowledged and congratulated staff for receiving the 2019 Airport of the Year award.

4. Airport Master Plan Update. - Anthony Bianchi, A.A.E., GISP, Airport Planning Manager
Mr. Bianchi briefed the Board on development alternative concepts for the airfield (runways & taxiways), parking & ground transportation, and development of a demand-driven eastside commercial passenger terminal.

5. Consent Agenda

- a) **Minutes** of the Board Meeting held on **March 19, 2019**.
- b) **Resolution No. 19-18** - Authorizing the filing of **grant applications** including agreeing to all understandings and assurances contained therein; and, authorizing the acceptance and execution of

any Federal Aviation Administration or other Federal Agency, State of Arizona, Arizona Counties, or Arizona Local Municipal grant offer(s), applied or received between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 by the Chair of the Authority, the Executive Director/CEO, or Deputy Director/COO.

- c) **Resolution No. 19-19** - Authorizing the purchase of five Aircraft Ground Power Units (GPU) from **ITW GSE** in an amount not-to-exceed \$275,000 under CIP 1025.

Mayor Barney noted a correction be made to the minutes (Page 1) to identify Councilmember Jordan Ray as the "Member Present" for the Town of Gilbert, and not Mayor Jenn Daniels.

Councilmember Jordan Ray moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the correction to Members Present.

Mayor John Giles seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Consideration and Possible Approval of:

6. **Resolution No. 19-20** - Authorizing annual changes to the **Airport Rules and Regulations.**

Mayor John Giles moved to approve Resolution No. 19-20

Councilmember Jordan Ray seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

7. **Resolution No. 19-21** - Authorizing a contract with **DPR Construction** to provide Pre-Construction CMAR Services for the Air Traffic Control Tower Construction Project under CIP 947/927 in an amount not-to-exceed \$350,000.

Councilmember Jordan Ray moved to approve Resolution No. 19-21

Mayor John Giles seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

8. **Board Member Comments/Announcements.**

Mayor Serdy noted that the Apache Junction City Council recently viewed an introductory video on SkyBridge Arizona and recommended to those interested in learning about SkyBridge Arizona to connect with Maria Gonzalez for a copy of the video. Mayor Giles acknowledged Executive Director O'Neill and Mr. Jose Pablo Martinez's (SkyBridge Arizona) for being guests on a recent Mesa Morning Live.

9. **Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2019** at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room (Saguaro A&B) of the Gateway Administration Building, 5835 S Sossaman Road, Mesa, Arizona.

10. **Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Dated this 21st day of May, 2019.



Maria E. Gonzalez, Clerk of the Board