

Aspen/Pitkin County Airport Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes January 15, 2025

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- Call Meeting to Order: 3:00PM
- Roll Call:
In Person: Jacque Francis, Meg Haynes, Andrew Doremus, Howie Mallory, Mike Solondz, Ann Mullins, Lara Whitley, Evan Marks, Clint Kinney, Gloria Kaasch-Buerger
Virtual:
Absent: Bruce Gordon, Jim Light
- Public Comment:
-(2:39) Ellen Anderson read the comments she made to the BoCC regarding ultra fine particles and requested that Sandra send the information out to the AAB members – Jacque agreed. Also, she mentioned that she hired an attorney to address her CORA request that was 5 months outstanding regarding mitigation plans.
- Approval of the Meeting Minutes (7:20):
Meg Haynes made a motion to approve the December minutes as is, Mike Solondz was the second. Approved.
- Board Comments:
-(7:41) Andrew Doremus gave kudos to ZGF on the job they are doing and said that the community should feel lucky and confident.
-(8:28) Howie asked for a copy of the “play book” from ZGF – they said they would get him one that day.
-(8:41) Jacque stated that there are several typos and such in the book that need to be corrected and Ryan answered that they are aware and it is still in draft form.
- Priority Item(s):
 - (9:43) **Page Turn Recap** – Tony with ZGF and Miles
Board Discussion/Public Comment/Vote
-Board Questions/Discussion
-(26:58) Howie asks about the financial obligation involved, are we being responsible and if we can afford it. ZGF and staff respond.
-(31:55) Clint asks if they are reasonably sure that this fits in a budget that can be put forth to the public with the details they have now? Ryan Responds
-(32:27) Meg speaks about the public process that has been involved thus far.
-(33:29) Howie asks about plans for passengers during overnight airport issues. ZGF and staff reply.
-Public Comment
-(36:51) Toni Kroneberg thanked the Board for their work. She also mentioned that Pitkin County bought the Brush Creek Park and Ride from CDOT and there is a plan for long term parking for the airport. She spoke about the Gondola idea to

get people to and from. Toni then personally thanked Meg for her services and gave her flowers.

-(41:30) Meg Haynes made a recommendation that the AAB accept the concept programming phase summary book and recommend that the BoCC accept the preferred option 2+ and that we move to the next phase of design – the schematic design phase. Mike Solondz was the second.

*Lara asks who will be voting and if it is okay to vote on something that you have only read the first 25 pages of. Jacques stated that both alternates would vote because Bruce and Jim are absent. Ryan replied that you are voting on the entire book and the acceptance of 2+. If anyone does not feel comfortable doing that they can abstain.

*Howie brought up his and Andrew's discussion about sustainability aspirations with ZGF and he requested that that be an agenda item moving forward. Ryan suggested there are other things that need to be dealt with first but this will be addressed in the future.

-(43:11) Vote taken and unanimously passed.

-(46:40) **What's Next Recap** – ZGF

-(48:56) **Task Force/Community Update** - Miles

- (50:36) **Runway Discussion** – G.R. Fielding

▪ Old Business:

- (1:02:34) **SAF Feasibility Presentation** – Michael Port
-(1:13:07) Board Questions
- (1:14:30) **Pilot Safety Committee Update** – Diane
- (1:21:10) **Parking Update** – Diane and Kelsey

▪ New Business: none

▪ Standing Items:

- (1:23:14) **FBO Update** – Jonathan Jones
- (1:26:30) **Staff Update** – Diane
- (1:28:56) **Communications Team Update** – Miles
- (1:30:32) **Commercial Passenger Update** – Bill Tomcich

▪ Public Comment:

-(1:40:26) Ellen Anderson informed the Board that she had filled a CORA request about the number of operations over the holidays – GA versus commercial. She said she would let the Board know the results. Also, Ellen wanted everyone to be aware that all data collected by SP+ is proprietary and can be sold. She does not agree that this should happen at a public facility.

▪ Board Follow Up Comments:

-(1:43:15) Mike Solondz recognized all the Task Force members – how hard they work and what a great job they are doing.

▪ Adjourn (1:43:57)