Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa Airport Relations Committee

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Meeting Minutes for Approval

Committee: Airport Relations Committee

Chairperson: Julie Ross

Meeting Date: April 27, 2023 - 6:30pm

Meeting: In person, Municipal Building Community Room

Attendance:

• Present: Ross, Mannix, Kingshot, Schneider, Smith

• Absent:

Item 1: Meeting Opening

1.1: Welcome and Introduction

1.2: Minutes Review and Approval – March 30, 2023 Meeting

M/S – Mannix, Schneider

Vote: 5/0/0 minutes approved.

1.3: Government Reps.: None

1.4: Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items. None.

Item 2: Committee Administration / Operations Items

2.1: Update from LAWA Board member Glenda Silva on ongoing and new projects at LAWA.

In mid April, the U.S. Green Building Council's evaluation affiliate, Green Business Certification Inc., awarded LAX's Terminal 4.5 Core LEED Gold accreditation. LEED is a holistic sustainability grading system that does not simply focus on one building element, but looks at the big picture, factoring in all critical components that work together to create the best building possible. Terminal 4.5 Core opened in November of 2022 and represents the first major component of the \$1.62 billion Terminal 4 and 5 Modernization project. The project, designed by Gensler Design, built by Hensel Phelps, and managed by American Airlines, provides a centralized location between Terminals 4 and 5 where passengers can access all four levels of the terminal building pre-security, while enabling direct connectivity to Terminal 5's baggage claim and check-in lobby. In the future, the Terminal 4.5 Core will facilitate efficient travel even further when it serves as an access point to our People Mover train's West Central Terminal Area (CTA) station via an elevated pedestrian pathway over World Way. With Terminal 4.5 Core receiving LEED Gold status, one step above our Sustainability Action Plan's requirement of LEED Silver certification for all major building and renovation projects, it is clear that we can deliver on our sustainability objectives while still delivering inspiring architecture, innovative digital solutions and a continued focus on an exceptional travel experience.

 In late March, we reached a post-pandemic high of 108,164 passengers who went through TSA security checkpoints at LAX, or approximately 216,000 total estimated travelers going through our airport. Presentation by Hans Thelenius, Deputy Executive Director of Terminal Development and Improvement gave a presentation on the Midfield Satellite Concourse.

The project mission is to implement new construction technology to deliver a unique 8 gate common-use concourse. The terminal will service 737'S and small Air Busses. It will be constructed in two parts and be moved from the Northside to the Midfield. Construction is estimated to begin in 2024 and to achieve substantial completion by August 2025. This modular method of construction has been used at the Dallas airport.

Public Comment: None

Committee Discussion: Committee commented on the innovate method they've chose for construction. The terminal is very attractive.

Next ARC meeting: TBD 3.3 Meeting Adjourned M/S – Mannix