

Aviation Committee Meeting Summary
Monday, October 25, 2004

The Committee was called to order at 12:06pm with Commissioners Katzoff, Kiang and Batarse present as well as appropriate staff. Commissioner Ayers-Johnson was excused.

The following items were covered:

1. **TEX Update** - Frank Lobedon, the TEX Project Director, provided the Committee with a status report on current construction activities related to the expansion and renovation of Terminal 2. He was asked about correspondence from San Leandro relating to night pile driving and stated that some complaints had been received and that the night pile driving was necessary to avoid disruption of TSA security equipment and for safety reasons. All night pile driving has been completed. He was also asked about the status of the project schedule. Currently the project is 12 days behind schedule which is a 3 day improvement from the last report. Attempts will be made to make up that time in ways that do not adversely impact the project budget. The project is still expected to be substantially complete in the Fall of 2006.

2. **Status of Airport Alternative Fuel Program** - The Committee was given a detailed overview of the efforts of the Aviation Division with regard to the use of alternative fuels as required in the environmental documents for the Airport Development Program. Following Board approved policies, alternative fuel vehicles are required of all ground transportation operators including taxis, shuttles and the Port's own fleet of vehicles. Airport wide almost 50% of the fleet uses alternative fuels. Over the last 5 years, the Airport has received well over \$1 million in grant funds to pay for alternative fuel programs and has received a number of awards for its efforts.

The Committee asked a number of questions about the program and focused on staff's intent to surplus four compressed natural gas shuttle busses. 15 such busses were originally purchased to serve the Pardee parking lot which was to be used during garage construction. With the sale of that lot and the use of parking spaces on the former United Maintenance Base it has been determined that all of these buses will not be required. Two will be used by other Port divisions and several will be used to increase service in the existing parking lots. The four to be surplusd will be targeted at current ground transportation providers as the first priority and if there is not sufficient interest, they will be made available to the general public. As stated in agenda item A5 on today's agenda, it is expected that the busses will be valued at approximately \$50,000 each.

- 3. Review of November Aviation Board Agenda Items** - The Committee reviewed all items scheduled for the two Board meetings in November. Substantial discussion took place on a proposed lease with Hertz for a vehicle maintenance facility and of particular question was the buyout provision within the 20 year lease. Staff will provide more information on this subject prior to the November 16 Board meeting. The Committee also requested additional information on the schedule and budget for the Airport Master Plan currently underway. That information will be provided prior to the November 2 Board meeting. Following the discussion the Committee recommended all items for Board approval.

There was one speaker in Open Forum and the Committee went into closed session at 12:43pm. At 1:43pm the Committee went back into open session and met with the Alameda Noise Committee. The major topic of discussion was jet

takeoffs from North Field. While acknowledging that over the last three months, jet takeoffs from North Field averaged 1 per day, it was still identified as an area of concern by a number of community members. The representatives from Alameda thanked Port staff for their efforts and both parties will continue to try and educate pilots as to the Airport's preferential runway use program and try to achieve even greater compliance.

There being no further business the Committee adjourned at 1:54pm. The next Aviation Committee will be held on November 22.