



## **Meeting Summary**

**NAS Fort Worth JRB Regional Coordination Committee**  
**February 7, 2019**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**Westworth Village Community Room**  
**311 Burton Hill Road**  
**Westworth Village, TX 76114**

The Naval Air Station Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base (NAS Fort Worth JRB) Regional Coordination Committee (RCC) convened at 10:00 a.m. on, February 7, 2019. The meeting was hosted by the City of Westworth Village at the Westworth Village Community Room.

### **Voting Members in Attendance**

Councilmember Dennis Shingleton, Chair, City of Fort Worth  
Debbie Whitley, Vice Chair, City of Lake Worth  
Randy Skinner, Treasurer, Tarrant County  
Jack Adkison, City of River Oaks  
Stacey Almond, City of Lake Worth  
Jeff James, City of White Settlement  
Councilmember Dr. Larry Marshall, City of Benbrook  
Paul Paine, City of Fort Worth

Missy Roth, Citizen  
Ed Spurlin, NAS Fort Worth JRB  
Doug Stevens, City of White Settlement  
Jeff Thomas, YMCA  
Kristin Vandergriff, Office of Congresswoman Kay Granger  
Patricia Ward, Tarrant County

### **NCTCOG Staff in Attendance**

Carli Baylor  
Sam Dennehy  
Kyle Roy  
Amanda Wilson

### **Non-Voting Members in Attendance**

Dan Kessler, NCTCOG  
Tina Nikolic, Tarrant Regional Water District  
Sandip Sen, Trinity Metro  
Captain Jonathan Townsend, NAS Fort Worth JRB

### **Others Present**

Dan Chisholm, City of River Oaks  
Jim Diggs, Ridgmar  
Mayor Jerry Dittrich, City of Benbrook  
Laura Evans, City of Fort Worth  
Mitch Hanson, 301<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing  
Melissa Harvey, 301<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing  
Doug Howard, City of Benbrook  
Pat Hyer, Citizen  
Tal Milan, Fort Worth Airpower Council  
Jocelyn Murphy, City of Fort Worth  
James Myrick, City of River Oaks  
Dan Novak, City of Westworth Village



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## **Meeting Summary Outline**

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge, Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of October 15, 2018 Meeting Summary
3. RCC Officer Nomination Slate
4. Update on Meandering Road, Las Vegas Trail and SH 183
5. Update on Governor's Committee to Support the Military
6. Joint Land Use Study Implementation Grant Update
7. NAS Fort Worth JRB Update
8. Administrative Updates
  - Scheduling Update
  - West Tarrant Alliance Group Scheduling Update
  - Transportation Project Implementation Update
  - Media Alerts
  - Correspondence
  - Attendance Report
9. Public Comments

### **Item 1. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge, Welcome and Introductions:**

Councilmember Dennis Shingleton called the Committee to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **Item 2. Approval of October 15, 2018, Meeting Summary (Action):**

The motion to approve minutes was requested by Dr. Larry Marshall. The meeting summary for October 15, 2018, passed unanimously.

### **Item 3. RCC Officer Nomination Slate:**

Amanda Wilson said the RCC will vote on officer nominations at the next meeting on March 18. Amanda said the committee bylaws state officers may serve two consecutive terms and all current officers are willing to serve again. The committee will be nominating the same slate of candidates: Councilmember Dennis Shingleton, Chair, Debbie Whitley, Vice Chair, Randy Skinner, Treasurer and Joe Ashton, Secretary.

### **Item 4. Update on Meandering Road, Las Vegas Trail and SH 183:**

Dan Kessler presented updates on several vital transportation projects, including Meandering Road, Las Vegas Trail and SH 183. Dan said the design for Meandering Road is approximately 60 percent complete, three roundabouts will be proposed for the project's construction and bicycle and pedestrian elements will also be a critical component. He said there will be a public meeting within the next month or so to provide an opportunity for everyone to provide input. Captain Jonathan Townsend said it is important to make sure Meandering Road is safe. Captain Townsend also said a new entrance is being created for YMCA's Camp Carter and coordination between the NCTCOG and the YMCA will be crucial.

Dan Kessler provided an update on a project to add roadway capacity to Las Vegas Trail and improve intersections at Heron Drive and Shoreview Drive. Dan said construction on this project is anticipated to begin in 2023 and new development in surrounding areas must be taken into



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consideration. He also said Las Vegas Trail serves as a primary entrance and exit into Lockheed Martin, and the project briefing with Lockheed was very successful. Jeff James said flooding is a major issue in that particular area.

Dan Kessler said TxDOT has secured AECOM to conduct the design work on SH 183. Dan said a corridor master plan has been adopted by the City of River Oaks and includes a corridor vision, preliminary streetscape concepts, form-based zoning strategies and implementation costs. He said the SH 183/IH 30 interchange is an economic development opportunity, especially for White Settlement. He said it's important for the RCC to be ambassadors for all of these transportation projects because some pushback will be received. Captain Jonathan Townsend said the spirit of collaboration is a great thing. Captain Townsend said he thinks some have the idea too many people are involved in the trail portion of the SH 183 project but improving connectivity is a positive step.

Paul Paine said NCTCOG has been a major attribute in funding regional transportation projects. Paul said the RCC has been used as an example around the country of how military members and communities should collaborate.

#### **Item 5. Update on Governor's Committee to Support the Military:**

Paul Paine provided an update on the Governor's Committee to Support the Military, which was established in September 2018. The Committee is comprised of up to 22 individuals, including Texas-resident veterans, community leaders and business leaders. Paul said the Committee released a 16-page report highlighting recommendations for policy changes and legislative action. He said the report includes 13 recommendations to improve education, health care, quality of life, workforce development, encroachment and infrastructure as they relate to the Texas military community. Paul said the recommendations and report will go through the Governor and will then be sent to the Texas Legislature for potential legislative action.

Dr. Larry Marshall said the school district needs to be more cooperative, but they have to follow state policies that have been effective for 30 years. Paul Paine said the Committee work has been a very educational discussion for him. Paul said the biggest step has already been taken in identifying the problem.

#### **Item 6. Joint Land Use Study Implementation Grant Update:**

Amanda Wilson presented an update on the JLUS implementation grant. Amanda said the Department of Defense's Office of Economic Adjustment said NCTCOG will need to demonstrate in its application the added value the implementation items bring to the DOD. She said typical JLUS implementation grants have been for about \$200,000 to be utilized over an 18- to 24-month period. Amanda said grant implementation ideas for NAS Fort Worth JRB include building upon the Development Review Tool, homeowner relations, zoning and building codes, military operations monitoring and environmental protection. She said regional grant ideas include UAS education and outreach, development of a regional forum, statewide JLUS partnerships and zoning and building codes. Councilmember Dennis Shingleton said not to hesitate to ask for help with the grant application.



**Item 7. NAS Fort Worth JRB Update:**

Captain Jonathan Townsend provided an update on NAS Fort Worth JRB. Captain Townsend said there was a recent drone sighting over the base. He said it was a major concern not only because NAS Fort Worth is a “no drone zone” but also because they weren’t at first able to identify the location or intent of the user. He also said those who fly drones in surrounding communities must do it in the correct manner, and hobbyists who fly within 5 miles of the airports must notify the nearby air operations center.

Dan Kessler said a UAS Task Force has been formed at NCTCOG. Dan said the committee is approaching 100 members and two meetings have been held so far. He said it’s a great opportunity to refine opportunities for local cities surrounding the base to help regulate UAS usage.

Captain Townsend said they recently broke ground on the air field lighting infrastructure project, he recently attended the Texas Military Summit in Austin and discussions are ongoing to potentially grow base business and move the Texas State Guard and Chinook helicopters over to NAS Fort Worth JRB.

**Item 8. Administrative Updates:**

- **Scheduling Update:** The next RCC meeting will take place Monday, March 18 in White Settlement.
- **West Tarrant Alliance Group Scheduling Update:** The next meeting is Thursday, February 7 in Fort Worth.
- **Transportation Project Implementation Update:** Dan Kessler said there will be a public hearing on the SH 199 project on Tuesday, February 19 in Lake Worth.
- **Media Alerts:** Included in the packets.
- **Correspondence:** No correspondence to share at this time.
- **Attendance Reports:** Included in the packets.

**Item 9. Public Comments:**

Kristin Vandergriff said Congresswoman Kay Granger was honored to attend the airfield lighting groundbreaking ceremony at NAS Fort Worth JRB.