



Meeting Summary

NAS Fort Worth JRB Regional Coordination Committee

April 16, 2018

1:30 p.m.

Lake Worth Multi-Purpose Facility

7005 Charbonneau

Lake Worth, Texas 76135

The Naval Air Station Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base (NAS Fort Worth JRB) Regional Coordination Committee (RCC) convened at 1:30 pm on April 16, 2018. The meeting was hosted by the City of Lake Worth at the Lake Worth Multi-Purpose Facility.

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

Joe Ashton, Secretary, City of River Oaks

Stacey Almond, City of Lake Worth

Councilmember Larry Marshall, City of Benbrook

Mayor Mike Coleman, City of Westworth Village

Jeff James, City of White Settlement

Sterling Naron, City of Westworth Village

Paul Paine, Fort Worth South, Inc.

Councilmember Ron Sauma, City of Benbrook

Andy Hockenbroch, YMCA Camp Carter

Sid Eppes, Airpower Foundation

Kristen Vandergriff, Office of Congresswoman

Kay Granger

Marcus Foote, Lake Worth NWTCC

Thomas Mathcry, Colleyville

Jim Driggs, Ridgmar

Dan Novak, Westworth Village

Iglysia Matthews, Trinity Metro

Albert Storer, NAS Fort Worth JRB

Joe Howell, Wellness International

General Kevin Pottinger, Texas Military

Preparedness Commission

NCTCOG Staff in Attendance

Rebekah Hernandez, NCTCOG

Kate Marshall, NCTCOG

Amanda Wilson, NCTCOG

Non-Voting Members in Attendance

Dan Kessler, NCTCOG

Tina Nikolic, Tarrant Regional Water District

Captain Jonathan Townsend, NAS Fort Worth JRB

Others Present

James Myrick, River Oaks

Dan Chisholm, River Oaks

Jim Driggs, FW/RIDGMAR

Bob Wood, Texas Military Value Task Force

Doug Howard, City of Benbrook

Alex Busken, City of Benbrook

Tim Trevino, Alamo Area COG

Laura Evans, City of Fort Worth



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Meeting Summary Outline

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2. Approval of January 22, 2018 Meeting Summary
3. Legislative Subcommittee Recap and Draft 2019 Legislative Position
4. Development Review Tool Update
5. Joint Base San Antonio Regional Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) and Implementation Strategies
6. NAS Fort Worth JRB Update
7. Notice of Intent to Prepare and Environmental Impact Statement for F-35A
8. Administrative Updates
 - Scheduling Update
 - West Tarrant Alliance Update
 - PLCM Transportation Implementation Update
 - Media Alerts
 - Attendance Report
9. Public Comments

Item 1. Pledge of Allegiance, Welcome and Introductions:

The Committee was called to order at 1:30 pm. Introductions were made around the room, and the Committee was introduced to General Pottinger, Chair of the Texas Military Preparedness Commission (TMPC). He commented on the Texas Military Value Task Force and their goal to visit all the bases in Texas to offer suggestions and give advice. Movement of the F-35 is a significant money maker to the Fort Worth area and has positive outcomes for national defense. The Texas Military Value Task Force (TMVTF) and the RCC have a common goal in limiting encroachment especially in areas like outdoor lighting and drones.

Item 2. Approval of the January 22, 2018, Meeting Summary (Action):

Motion to approve minutes was requested by Paul Paine and seconded by Councilmember Ron Sauma. Minutes for January 22, 2018, passed unanimously.

Item 3. Legislative Subcommittee Recap and Draft 2019 Legislative Position:

Paul Paine gave a brief overview of the purpose of the Legislative Subcommittee: to open communication between the Committee and the community. Some of the main topics include supporting dialogue for lighting that affects operation, real estate disclosures and encroachment around operation areas. Future legislation will be coordination between local, State and Federal governments. The key concept going into 2019 is communication.

Rebekah discussed the Legislative Position handout distributed in the packets. The four topics for the Draft 2019 RCC Legislative Position include:

- Support dialogue prior to development that affects military operations (adds lighting)
- Expand real estate disclosure to new construction residential, multifamily, commercial development
- Add military installations/training areas and adjacent land to restricted areas for UAS operation
- Collaboration between local governments, State, and FAA for safe UAS operations



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Previous legislation to note is SB 277 (Prohibits tax incentives for wind turbine developments within 25 miles of an installation), HB 890 (real estate disclosure notice) and HB 1643 (prohibits local Unmanned Aircraft System ordinance without FAA approval).

Dennis Shingleton commented on the current real estate disclosure and how the base has been doing an excellent job of informing people that need to know about living near the base.

Item 4. Development Review Tool Update:

Kate Marshall announced five new projects entered into the development review tool since the previous RCC meeting in January. Lake Worth entered two projects into the tool; one is a change from single-family residential to multi-family residential for a duplex. The project was inconsistent with JLUS recommendations unless 25db of Noise Level Reduction (NLR) is added. The second Lake Worth project was a public hearing notice to amend ordinance 883 and change a parcel from Planned Development (PD) for the use of a church to PD for office and retail spaces. Comments were in support of the change. Fort Worth entered a project for a new development of a charter school. Since the school lies within the 65db noise contour, sound attenuation measures need to be taken. The City of Benbrook entered two projects, both compatible with JLUS recommendations; one, an electric supply warehouse, and the other, automobile storage. Kate reminded the RCC to comment on the four Lake Worth projects that are still open for comments.

Item 5. Joint Base San Antonio Regional JLUS and Implementation Strategies:

Tim Trevino and Steve Lamb traveled from the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) to present their efforts to implement JLUS recommendations in their region. They have been using an implementation grant for their JLUS studies which is the next step for the RCC. The total amount they received in the implementation grant is \$650,000.

The Alamo Area has had three total JLUS projects completed in the last few years for Camp Bullis, JBSA-Randolf, and Lackland Air Force Base. These bases constitute a \$50 billion impact in the region annually. The project scope consists of five thematic areas to identify for implementing the 169 JLUS recommendations; analyze regional JLUS comminution issues, develop three regional framework alternatives, draft regional JLUS implementation strategies, craft a framework for measurement and evaluation, and complete the final database for regional strategies. The contractual requirements for the grant are the creation of the Regional JLUS Implementation Strategy (RJIS) database, publishing web-based media, and outreach material, holding regional stakeholder meetings and creating an RJIS PowerPoint. The implementation team categorized the recommendations into 20 overlying categories that are found in all three JLUS studies. Currently, AACOG does not have a formalized structure for their program so they will be looking to the RCC as a model. One of the biggest challenges they have is coordinating with cities and counties surrounding the bases. For example, the golden cheek warbler (endangered bird) has been a challenge because the protection area is near Camp Bullis and can hinder operations.

Dennis Shingleton asked if there are outlying cities that are in collaboration with these strategies in the JLUS. When the AACOG has executive meetings, the communities can give input. The Alamo Area is composed of 11 installations spanning five counties, and they are all in cooperation. A small city outside of the regional area adopted a dark skies ordinance for pilot operations, and AACOG anticipates similar actions from other cities.



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Councilmember Ron Sauma inquired as to when the JLUS team was formed at AACOG, and they responded that it was established in 2016. Sauma also states that JLUS studies change all the time and doing one ten years ago may not be relevant to current issues. For the Alamo Area JLUS team, their goal is to establish the status of each city in regards to implementation items before starting a new study.

Dan Kessler reported that he and Amanda Wilson briefed the Texas Military Council about the Joining Forces JLUS study, and pointed out the difference between the two agencies. One is working with three different JLUS studies, and one is working with a single study that covers multiple installations.

Steve and Tim concluded their presentation by displaying the method they use to track recommendations.

Item 6. NAS Fort Worth JRB Update:

Captain Jonathan Townsend gave the NAS Fort Worth JRB update. Mike Branum has moved on to the FAA, and the base will be actively searching for a new Community Planning Liaison Officer (CPLO). The Public Affairs Office and Captain Townsend will be the contacts until the CPLO is replaced.

Item 7. Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for F-35A:

Dan Kessler presented the Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Operation Beddown and the movement of F-35s to the NAS Fort Worth JRB. NAS Fort Worth JRB competed and was one of the first bases to house F-35's. There is now an opportunity for comments that will be accepted through May 11 in the Federal Register. Captain Townsend described the F-35 and its mission capabilities being a benefit to the overall defense for the base and region. As for concerns in the community, there is not a growth in the number of aircraft; it is a situation where the F-35s are replacing the F-16s. The F-35s are 20% of current flight missions on the Base. The hover capability is an aggressive variant of the F-35, but they are already flying in the community, so there is not a significant concern over the noise.

There will be a public scoping meeting April 19, 2018, 5-8 pm, located on Cendera Center, 3600 Benbrook Highway, Fort Worth, TX 76116. Anyone is welcome to attend.

A member of the audience asked if the EIS would look at the level of noise when flying over schools. Captain Townsend and the Chairman confirmed that it would.

Item 8. Administrative Updates:

- a) **Scheduling Update:** The next RCC meeting is July 16, 2018, Location TBD in River Oaks
- b) **West Tarrant Alliance Update:** The next WTA meeting is May 3, 2018, at The Azle Memorial Library, 333 W. Main Street.
- c) **PLCM Transportation Implementation Update:** Dan gave a JLUS Update, he and Amanda have traveled to cities represented in the JLUS to get resolutions passed. Key items to flag include: White Settlement has retained Freese and Nichols and has updated its comprehensive plan to incorporate JLUS recommendations, and Lake Worth passed their comprehensive plan update, which addresses many strategies in



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the JLUS study. Most other places around the country have pushed back on JLUS recommendations, but our cities have been proactive. On the PLCM map, project number 11 is in the design phase, and those design options will be brought to the community shortly. Azle Avenue in Fort Worth and the East Gate Access project are also underway. Captain Townsend asked about access during the construction phase and was assured that open communication would be given, but access should not be hindered. Project 12 is in prioritization because of the essential need for it near Lockheed Martin.

- d) **Media Alerts:** Found in the back of packets distributed. Most are related to UAS activity, congressional updates, and F-35 budgets.
- e) **Attendance Reports:**

Item 8. Public Comments:

Andy from Camp Carter: Fliers for day camp registration are located on the sign-in table.

Joe Ashton- Jack Adkinson had heart surgery and is recuperating. Chair Shingleton wished him well and a quick recovery.

Councilmember Dennis Shingleton, Chair, thanked individuals for coming and meeting adjourned at 2:48 pm.