Meeting Summary

NAS JRB Fort Worth Regional Coordination Committee
April 19, 2021
1:30 p.m.

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via
Zoom Meeting

The Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth (NAS JRB Fort Worth) Regional Coordination Committee (RCC) convened at 1:30 p.m. on April 19, 2021. The meeting was hosted by COG through Zoom meeting. Due to the nature of the virtual meeting technology, a full list of attendees will not be provided. Roll was called for Voting Members and that information is reflected here.

Voting Members in Attendance
Councilmember Dennis Shingleton, Chair, City of Fort Worth
Randy Skinner, Treasurer, Tarrant County
Councilmember Dan Chisholm, City of River Oaks
Mike Coleman, City of Westworth Village
Carolyn Gilmore, City of Sansom Park
Jeff James, City of White Settlement
Councilmember Laura Mackey, City of Benbrook
Councilmember Dr. Larry Marshall, City of Benbrook
Councilmember Paul Moore, City of White Settlement
Mike Murray, City of Westworth Village

Meeting Summary Outline

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Item 1. Welcome and Roll Call:

Councilmember Dennis Shingleton called the Committee to order at 1:30 p.m.

Item 2. NAS JRB Fort Worth Tenant Commands Series: Tenth Air Force:

A brief video summary featuring the Tenth Air Force was presented by Major General Borgan to the RCC. It gave a background focus on all of the different entities of the Tenth Air Force which is one of three numbered air forces in the air reserve command. Major General Borgan said the Tenth has 20,000 in command, 17 direct reports across the country, and dozens of geographically separated units throughout the US, including Hawaii and Alaska. He prefaced the video by saying the sole purpose of the Tenth is for units to be combat ready for the nation. Mike Coleman asked the question is there a space wing and if it will be a part of the Space Force? Major General Borgan said there is a 310 space wing, located in Colorado Springs, possibly being included in the Space Force.

Item 3. Approval of January 25, 2021 Meeting Summary (Action):

The motion to approve the meeting summary was made by Carolyn Gilmore. Councilmember Larry Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 4. Election of 2021-2022 Officers (Action):

Councilman Shingleton provided an overview of the RCC nominating committee meeting. Amanda Wilson announced the list of proposed RCC officers in which all agreed to accept their nominations. The Chair is Mike Coleman, City of Westworth Village; Vice Chair is Larry Marshall, City of Benbrook; Secretary is Dan Chisholm, City of River Oaks; Treasurer is Jeff James, City of White Settlement. There were no comments or changes. Carolyn Gilmore motioned to accept the nominees and the motion was seconded by Laura Mackey and passed unanimously.

Item 5. Tarrant County Transportation Bond Program:

Randy Skinner and Mike Galizio, both with Tarrant County Transportation Services, gave a presentation on the Tarrant County 2021 Transportation Bond Program. Randy gave a little background history regarding the program. There was a 2006 Transportation Bond Program that funded over 100 projects across Tarrant county. Due to the success of that program, the Tarrant County Commissioners Court thought it would be beneficial to consider another program and have it on the ballot for the November 2021 election. The Commissioners Court approved a Transportation Bond Program Policy back in January. Randy said the process will be very similar to what took place back in 2006.

Mike Galizio then presented an overview of the elements of the Bond Program Policy such as Programs Goals (reduce congestion and increase mobility, no tax rate increase, priority to “shovel ready” projects, etc.) and Program Structure (the program will cost up to $400 million and will consist of the following three funding categories: Call for Projects - up to $200 million with a 50% funding match required, Discretionary - up to $75 million with a funding match desirability, but not required, and Countywide Initiatives and Partnerships - up to $125 million with a funding match requirement determined on a case-by-case basis). He also summarized other elements of the
Bond Program Policy such as Program Criteria, Project Evaluation and Selection, and Program Implementation and Administration. Mike said Transportation Services will be hiring a consultant to assist in developing the program and to keep track of all the projects making sure all are being done in a timely manner. After the presentation, Councilman Shingleton asked for confirmation that the committee, in itself, will prioritize projects. Mike Galizio then confirmed that statement. Mike said there will be one item on the ballot in regard to transportation. Randy Skinner encouraged everyone to visit the webpage www.tarrantcounty.com/tbp. Project deadlines are as follows: Project Submittal, April 16; Approval of Project List, early August 2021; Bond Election Day, November 2, 2021.

**Item 6. SH 183 Update:**

Helen Tran and Joy Carter with TxDOT, and Brad Hernandez with AECOM presented an update on the SH 183 Project. Brad gave the project overview which includes the limits of I-30 to SH 199; the length of the project which is 5 miles encompassing the cites of Fort Worth, River Oaks, Westworth Village, and White Settlement; primary roadway access which is NAS JRB in Fort Worth via Pumphrey Drive; and the existing conditions which will be a 4-lane, divided urban roadway that the project staff will be evaluating. Brad said project goals and objectives are to enhance mobility, safety, and operations; to minimize corridor traffic conflicts and improve access management; to balance mobility and access along the corridor; to accommodate multiple modes of transportation using the corridor; and to develop feasible alternatives considering previous studies and input. Brad said all of these objectives will develop the purpose and need for the project.

Some adjacent projects AECOM is coordinating with TxDOT are I-30 from I-820 to Chisholm Trail Parkway, and SH 199 from I-820 Interchange to White Settlement Road. Brad said coordination between both projects is ongoing. Project staff is currently between the Project Kickoff/Data Collection and Alternative Analysis/Evaluation stage of the proposed project process with TxDOT and will have continuous public involvement/outreach with the public. Brad said hopefully TxDOT will have environmental clearance for the corridor in 2023, and he gave the TxDOT link for more information – www.txdot.gov - keyword: SH 183.

**Item 7. Noise Mitigation and Encroachment Management:**

Ed Spurlin, Community Plans and Liaison Officer with NAS JRB Fort Worth, presented on Noise Mitigation and Encroachment Management. Several slides shown were illustrations of areas with low to little encroachment versus areas without encroachment mitigation standards. When encroachment goes unchecked, bases close and missions move. Ed said the purpose of the hazard analysis is to provide noise hazard and incompatible development assessment and impacts, within proximity of NAS JRB Fort Worth. And, that the primary concern is the health, safety and welfare of its citizens.

Ed said that the Department of Defense (DoD) considers 7 types of incompatible land use as identified by the General Accounting Office (GAO) in a 2016 report to Congress. They are archaeology sites, protected species, historic assets, protected habitat, climate change, urban development, and airborne noise. He also gave Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) instances when some locations will be considered incompatible for residential development of any kind. **Incompatible:** Military aircraft noise hazard zone; Encroachment, strategic military installation. **Safety:** Munitions/ordinance hazard with proximity; Military strategic fuel storage
facility; Military jet aircraft overflight hazard. Councilman Shingleton gave the example of when the City of Fort Worth is approached by a developer who plans to or have purchased property and has scheduled a pre-development conference. At that point in time, the city will point out the property is in the AICUZ. The developer then realizes the property/project plan cannot move forward with the city. Ed Spurlin has offered to the committee his availability to present to local municipalities, planning and zoning boards, and city councils if needed.

**Item 8. NAS JRB Fort Worth Update:**

Captain Mark McLean gave an update on the NAS JRB Fort Worth. He said the base will host several events in the near future. The most notable being the 80th anniversary of the base which is January 2, 2022. Captain McLean also briefly went over his long-range planning calendar (will be emailed to all members of the RCC). There will be a 10-mile Veteran’s Day race to be held around Veteran’s Day with approximately 8 – 10,000 runners on the base. A Battle of Midway ceremony on the base will be held Friday morning, June 4. RCC members are invited. A fireworks show with a barge on Lake Worth will be held on July 3. The event will be a drive-in show that can be seen off of Interstate 820. Also, an 80th anniversary of Pearl Harbor will be held this year. Captain McLean gave an update on the health of the installation. He said nearly all on the installation have been vaccinated and the supply for Moderna continues to grow which is a positive assessment.

**Item 9. Legislative Update**

Nick Allen gave a quick summary of the Legislative Update of the following filed bills:

- **SB 149** - Relating to the prosecution of the offense of operation of an unmanned aircraft over certain facilities *(this bill was vetoed last session but will receive a hearing in the near future - referred to the Senate Veteran Affairs and Border Security Committee).*
- **HB 3399/SB 1910** - Relating to the authority of the Texas Department of Transportation to provide road services on federal military property.
- **SB 1003/HB 4007** - Relating to siting requirements for the construction of a wind turbine.
- **SB 1/HB 1** - General Appropriations Bill *(both versions include $30 million for DEAAG passed by the Senate, being considered on the House floor).*
- **SB 1233/HB 3277** - Relating to a study of the disaster preparedness for each state military installation.
- **HB 2825** - Relating to certain transactions involving real property located near military bases.
- **SB 683** - Relating to defense economic readjustment zones.
- **HB 3304** - Relating to exemptions from the motor vehicle tax for a motor vehicle brought into this state by an active-duty member of the US armed forces or the member’s spouse.

Nick gave the committee a couple of dates of interest. May 31, 2021 will be the Final Day of the Legislative Session and June 20, 2021 will be the Final Day for Governor Veto.

**Item 10. Administrative Updates:**

- **Scheduling Update**: The next RCC meeting will take place Monday, July 19, 2021 location TBD.
- **Media Alerts**: Included in the packets.
- **Correspondence:** Included in the packets.
- **Attendance Reports:** Included in the packets.

**Item 11. Public Comments:**

There were no public comments made. However, Carolyn Gilmore gave expressions of thanks to Councilman Shingleton for his dedicated service to not only Fort Worth but the RCC committee. Councilman Shingleton said he was honored to serve.