

**CITY OF MERCED  
REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES**

**SAM PIPES CONFERENCE ROOM  
MERCED CIVIC CENTER  
678 WEST 18<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
MERCED, CA**

**TUESDAY  
FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Janet Young called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Members present: Janet Young, Larry Morelock, John Sundgren, Russ Cowperthwaite, Al Osborn, Josh Franco and Rodrigo Flores.

Members absent: None

Staff Present: Ron Elliott and Jessica Cortright

**C. WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATION**

None

**D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Introduction of new authority member, Rodrigo Flores.

**E. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1. REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 15, 2013.**

M/S/C -Morelock/Osborn motioned to approve and file the minutes for January 15, 2013 as submitted.

**F. REPORTS**

**1. FAA GRANT APPLICATION**

Ron Elliott explained that this item is being presented again due a change in pricing, and that the scope of work is included for board members review.

M/S/C - Osborn/Morelock motioned to approve the FAA Grant Application as presented.

## **2. TEMPORARY HANGAR RENT**

Ron Elliott explained the request for a temporary rent fee adjustment to accommodate and maintain current tenants.

M/S/C – Sundgren/Cowperthwaite motioned to approve the Temporary Hangar Rent based on the distinctions and limitations presented.

## **3. AVIS/BUDGET RENTAL CAR LEASE AGREEMENT**

Ron Elliott explained that the current lease agreement with Avis/Budget Car Rental will expire April 30, 2013 and presented the new negotiated lease terms for Rental Car Concessions at the Merced Regional Airport.

M/S/C – Morelock/Osborn motioned to approve the Avis/Budget Car Rental, LLC Lease Agreement as presented.

## **4. FAGUNDES FARMS AGRICULTURAL LEASE**

Ron Elliott explained that the current agricultural lease agreement for 35 acres West of Thornton Road and South of Wardrobe Avenue with Todd Machado will expire April 2013. Machado expressed no interest in renewing this lease. Airport staff has negotiated lease terms with Fagundes Farms for an agricultural lease on the same 35 acres with an increase in the rental rate.

M/S/C – Flores/Sundgren motioned to approve the Fagundes Farms Agricultural Lease Agreement as presented.

## **5. GREAT LAKES CEO, CHUCK HOWELL – AIRLINE UPDATE**

Great Lakes Airlines CEO, Chuck Howell explained how the Department of Transportation's decision to cut Essential Air Service in Ely, Nevada effects service to Merced Regional Airport and the need to cut to service to Las Vegas effective March 31, 2013. There was much discussion between the board and Mr. Howell about airline service logistics, flight schedules, marketing and future plans.

Presented as information only.

## **6. AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT**

Airport Manager, Ron Elliott reviewed the January 2013 monthly report.

Presented as information only.

**G. AUTHORITY BUSINESS**

**1. POSSIBLE INCOMPATIBLE LAND USE ACTIVITY**

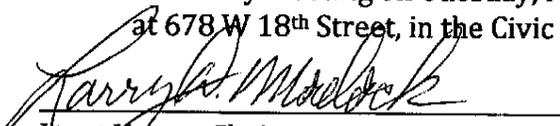
None.

**2. OTHER BUSINESS FROM AUTHORITY MEMBERS**

None.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

Janet Young called the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM until the next Regional Airport Authority meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at 678 W 18<sup>th</sup> Street, in the Civic Center.

  
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Janet Young, Chairperson  
Regional Airport Authority