

ORANGE COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION
Airport Commission Hearing Room
3160 Airway Avenue
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

March 3, 2021

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Bert Ashland, Bruce Junor, Lee Lowrey, Brendan O'Reilly

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: John Clarey

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Rondinella, Airport Director
Rick Francis, Assistant Airport Director
Carolyn Khouzam, Deputy County Counsel
Dave Pfeiffer, Deputy Airport Director, Business Development
Sheryl Bisogno, Property Agent III, Business Development
Mariane Teschner, Deputy Airport Director, Finance Administration
Mark Sanchez, Deputy County Counsel
Aida Lopez, ASR Manager, Finance Administration
Elizabeth Gallegos, Executive Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Junor called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Lowrey led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **VICE CHAIR ELECTION FOR 2021 CALENDAR YEAR** – On Commissioner Lowrey's motion and Commissioner O'Reilly's second, Commissioner Ashland was unanimously elected Vice Chair.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** On Commissioner O'Reilly's motion and Commissioner Lowrey's second, the Regular Meeting minutes of January 6 and January 20, 2021, were approved as written.
3. **APPROVE AIRLINE LEASE WITH SUN COUNTRY INC., DBA SUN COUNTRY AIRLINES (SUN COUNTY) (ASR 21-000117)** Airline Asset Manager Sheryl Bisogno Stated that John Wayne Airport is seeking Board of Supervisors (Board) approval of an airline lease with Sun Country, effective May 1 through December 31, 2025. Sun Country will initiate operations on May 6 and will provide services to Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas and Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota on a split schedule. Airline Asset Manager Sheryl Bisogno added that Charles Breed, Sun Country's Senior Director of Airport Affairs of Facilities is present and available for questions.

Charles Breed provided the Commission with some background information on Sun Country that included the type of aircraft that they will be utilizing, the type of services they offer and destinations.

Airport Director Barry Rondinella and Charles Breed provided answers to the Commission's questions regarding ownership, flight schedules, staff schedules and destinations, differences from other airlines, and charter flights.

Two public comments were received via email and read into the record by Airport Director Barry Rondinella. Their names and a summary of their comments are listed below:

- Jim Mosher, Newport Beach resident, commented that the minutes of January 6 and 20, 2021, do not report the time that the meetings started; and commented on the authorization of a Class A ADD and seat capacity for Sun Country.

- Alan Guenther, commented on Sun Country and Allegiant being ultra-low cost carriers flying older aircraft that are noisy and more polluting.

On Vice Chair Ashland’s motion and Commissioner Lowrey’s second, this item was unanimously approved.

4. SUMMARY OF RELEVANT ACTIONS BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (Board) - Airport Director Barry Rondinella stated that on February 9 2021, the Board approved the contract renewal with Flagship Airport Services, Inc.

5. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- A. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None, other than those noted in Item #3.
- B. AIRPORT DIRECTOR COMMENTS – Airport Director Barry Rondinella announced Aida Lopez’s retirement effective March 12.
- C. AIRPORT COMMISSION COMMENTS – None

6. ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Aida Lopez, ASR Manager