

City of Long Beach Working Together to Serve Memorandum Councilmember Al Austin Eighth District

Date:November 11, 2014To:Mayor and Members of the City CouncilFrom:Councilmember Al Austin, Eighth District &
Councilmember Patrick O'Donnell, Fourth District &
Councilmember Roberto Uranga, Seventh District &
FullSubject:Airport Noise Ordinance Study Session

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Request the City Manager to schedule an Airport Noise Ordinance Study Session to educate the entire council as to the history, importance, and background on this vulnerable protection for our community. Said Study Session shall include but not be limited to city management, city prosecutor, and city attorney staff. Community stakeholder input should be accommodated as well. This meeting shall be scheduled/conducted within the next 45 days.

BACKGROUND:

Long Beach's Airport Noise Ordinance provides a unique protection for the neighborhoods in Long Beach that are impacted by airline flights. It affects the growth and development of the Airport so it is compatible with the surrounding residential communities.

With some airlines publicly stating desired changes to the Long Beach Airport, and with the imminent selection of a new Airport Director, it is important that the City Council have a timely study session to ensure a thorough understanding of the City's Airport Noise Ordinance, how it protects Long Beach neighborhoods, and it's unique standing and enforcement mechanisms.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact.