

PROPOSED REVISED R-19 “RECOMMENDED ACTION” LANGUAGE

Recommended Action:

Direct the City Manager to develop an implementation plan for the following programs relative to the Long Beach Airport. The implementation plan shall be presented to the City Council for its review and approval within 90 days.

A. A Green Airport Program that shall include:

1. A policy to reduce pollution related to aircraft, ground equipment, and vehicle transportation.
2. A policy that the Airport shall support AQMD air quality attainment levels through implementation of mitigation measures within its purview.
3. A provision that encourages the AQMD and CARB to continue and expand their air quality monitoring program in Long Beach and the Airport area.

B. A Neighborhood Protection Program that shall include:

1. As part of the Airport's Land Use Compatibility Program, the use of mobile noise monitoring units to determine the appropriate installation location for 6 additional fixed/permanent noise monitors as approved by the City Council, to ensure accuracy for land use mitigation measure applicability purposes (one of these locations shall include a noise monitor in the Bixby Hills area).
2. Covenants not to challenge the Airport Noise Compatibility Ordinance incorporated into all Airport leases.
3. Work with City's Risk Manager and City Attorney's Office to ensure adequate insurance coverage and operating fund balances, to support vigorous defense of any and all legal or administrative challenges to the Airport Noise Compatibility Ordinance.
4. Appropriate environmental studies, as approved and directed by the City Council, when the Long Beach Airport exceeds 4.2 million annual passengers. Said studies will include, where appropriate, mitigation measures to reduce identified significant environmental impacts. To the extent legally possible, the mitigation measures will be paid for from the Airport Enterprise Fund.
5. No capacity changes to the Council approved post-screening facilities within the Terminal area without a formal Council hearing after a minimum of thirty days notice to the public and interested parties.
6. Elimination of Parcel "O" as part of this Terminal expansion project.
7. Work with the Federal Aviation Administration, pilots, and others to establish approach and takeoff protocols for pilots to follow in order to reduce noise impacts to Long Beach neighborhoods.
8. "End of block" treatments in those instances where residential structures fall within established 65 CNEL noise contours. Said plan shall be similar to the San Diego "Quieter Home Program".
9. To insure compliance with the above provisions, the City Manager shall appoint a monitor who will report periodically to the City Council as to the progress made in implementation.