CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sanders called the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee meeting to order at 7:20 a.m., Thursday, September 18, 2008, at the San Diego International Airport, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.

ROLL CALL:

City of San Diego
PRESENT: Committee Members: Mayor Jerry Sanders, Steve Peace
Alternate: Councilmember Jim Madaffer
ABSENT: None

San Diego County Regional Airport Authority
PRESENT: Committee Members: Board Member Alan Bersin,
Board Member Jim Desmond
ABSENT: Alternate: Board Member Charlene Zettel,
Board Member Bruce Boland

San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)
PRESENT: Committee Members: Board Member Mary Sessom,
Board Member Jack Dale
ABSENT: None

Port of San Diego
PRESENT: Committee Members: Commissioner Michael Bixler,
Commissioner Steve Cushman
ABSENT: Alternate: Commissioner Dukie Valderrama

County of San Diego
PRESENT: Committee Members: Supervisor Ron Roberts,
Supervisor Greg Cox
ABSENT: None

Metropolitan Transit System
PRESENT: Committee Member: Board Member Harry Mathis,
Alternate: Board Member Jerry Rindone
ABSENT: None
North County Transit District
PRESENT: Committee Member: Board Member Bob Campbell,
Alternate: Board Member Julianne Nygaard
ABSENT: None

United States Department of Defense
PRESENT: Committee Member: Colonel Chris O’Connor
ABSENT: Alternate: Lt. Colonel Jeffrey Koffel

Mayor Sanders stated that the October 9, 2008 Committee meeting has been
canceled. He suggested that an offsite meeting be held on November 8, 2008,
and he asked all participants to check their availability.

Commissioner Cushman requested that Board Member Bersin confirm that at the
August 2, 2008 meeting, he agreed to a study of the Pacific Highway corridor and
to move forward with the study. Board Member Bersin concurred.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:

JIM FROST, SAN DIEGO, presented some proposed airfield concepts. He
distributed maps on his proposed changes to the airfield.

COMMITTEE STAFF COMMENT:

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS:

ITEM – 1: Discussion Item – Introduction – Airfield and Passenger Terminal
Operations
Holland Young, Jacobs Consultancy, provided a presentation on Airfield and
Passenger Terminal Operations, which included a Recap of August 2 Workshop
Results; Committee Input on Revised Alternatives, I-5 Interface Concepts, and
an appendix on civic engagement.

In response to Mr. Young regarding civic engagement, Board Member Sessom
stated that the Airport Authority already has input from the community and that
many public meetings have been held. She stated that she is concerned that
there is nothing to tell the community at this point.

Mr. Peace stated that it is counterproductive to engage consultants on civic
engagement.

Supervisor Cox concurred, stating that more months of discussion are needed
before civic engagement can begin.
In response to Board Member Dale regarding negotiations with the Marines on the extension of Taxiway C, Mayor Sanders stated that he met with General Salinas regarding this issue. He stated that the Marines are not getting rid of any property, and are actually looking to build. He stated that talks are continuing, and the Committee’s discussions will not preclude the use of a northside taxiway if it becomes available.

Mr. Peace noted that any presentation requests associated with Destination Lindbergh should be handled by Mayor Sanders. He expressed concern that the frame of reference in staff responses is oriented towards the Airport Authority.

Job Nelson, City of San Diego, stated that he has been working with both the Airport Authority and SANDAG as part of a Communications Working Group. He stated that there has been a strong effort to maintain open communication between the Airport Authority, Jacobs Consultancy, the City of San Diego, and SANDAG.

**ITEM – 2: Discussion Item – Northside Off-Site Property Opportunities**

Holland Young, Jacobs Consultancy, Julie Gueho, Jacobs Consultancy, and Louis Misko, Consultant to the City of San Diego, provided a presentation on Northside Property Opportunities, which included Northside Boundaries; and Northside Property Ownership.

Commissioner Bixler brought up the Barnett Avenue area, which contains the Federal Post Office, and stated that the land is in an ideal location for use by the U.S. Marine Corps. He questioned if the stakeholders in that area would be interested in a discussion. He stated that the focus should be on swapping land, not taking it.

**ITEM – 3: Discussion Item – Revised Destination Lindbergh Development Alternatives**

Holland Young, Jacobs Consultancy, Jeff Fucigna, HNTB, and Jessica Wyatt, HNTB, provided a presentation on Revised Development Opportunities, which included Terminal Concept Families A, B, and E.

In response to Mr. Peace regarding the size of the proposed airport footprint, Mr. Young stated that his team will review how large the airport should be. He stated that, with regard to the Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC), SANDAG is working on an activity forecast for airport passengers and transit riders, and the facility will be sized based on those findings.

Mr. Peace noted that a cost benefit analysis should be conducted because a larger airport is more easily financed. He stated that once the airport is at a certain scale, it will pay for itself.
Supervisor Roberts noted that there are probably different capacities generated from different concepts. He stated that a framework is needed to filter through the criteria of the different concepts. He stated that capacity is a major issue that will be part of a final decision, and this is the stage when comparative data is needed.

Board Member Bersin concurred, stating that metrics are needed that take into consideration the constraints of the runway, while measuring the benefits that are outside the airport. He stated that improvements that will be made for ground transportation and the region need to be considered as part of the benefits.

Mr. Young stated that he would have a set of metrics prepared by the next meeting.

In response to Board Member Sessom regarding which runway configuration will yield the most capacity, Mr. Young stated that none of the concepts add significant capacity.

Mr. Peace stated that the Committee’s focus should be on the value of the ITC.

Mayor Sanders stated that there are issues besides capacity, such as mitigating traffic to avoid gridlock, as well as high speed rail.

Board Member Bersin stated that high speed rail is a major component of our aviation future. He stated that the metrics created should consider air capacity in conjunction with high speed rail.

Board Member Desmond stated that the runway can only handle so much, and none of the alternatives provide additional capacity.

Mayor Sanders stated that it is clear there are constraints. He stated that a new terminal is needed, and additional gates are needed for aircraft. He stated that the ingress and egress off Interstate 5 is another important consideration.

**ITEM – 4: Discussion Item – Conclusions and Next Steps**

Holland Young, Jacobs Consultancy, provided a presentation on Conclusions and Next Steps, which included an overview of the project schedule.

Board Member Bersin suggested that the “E” Alternatives be removed from consideration because of the operational difficulties they will create.
Board Member Sessom stated that the ITC is the driver of the process, and the terminal will be built according to the modeling. She stated that the terminals need to be on the northside, not the gates, and then the taxiway would not need to be extended. She stated that once the Committee makes a decision on the ITC, everything else will follow.

Board Member Mathis stated that it is important to consider that if a people mover system is going to be used, it must have a backup system in case of failure.

Mayor Sanders stated that the “E” Alternatives are removed from consideration.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 30, 2008, at 7:15 a.m., in the Board Room at the San Diego International Airport, Commuter Terminal, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.