

Airport Land Use Commission

Each county in California that includes an airport served by a scheduled airline or operated for the benefit of the general public must establish an airport land use commission. (California Public Utilities Code section 21670). The state legislature's purpose in requiring these commissions was to "protect public health, safety, and welfare by ensuring the orderly expansion of airports and the adoption of land use measures that minimize the public's exposure to the extent that these areas are not already devoted to incompatible uses."

The following information summarizes the gist of statutory requirements for the commission as they apply to *Alameda County*. Other counties may be affected by particular provisions of the Public Utilities Code (sections 21670 - 21679.5).

Appointment of commission

The commission in every county is appointed as follows (there are some exceptions where airports straddle county boundaries):

(2) representing the county, appointed by board of supervisors.

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(2) with expertise in aviation, appointed by a committee of the managers of all public airports within the county.

(1) representing the general public, appointed by the other six members of the commission.

Proxies

Each member of the commission shall appoint a single proxy to represent him and to vote when the member is absent. Proxies serves at the pleasure of the appointing member of the commission. Proxy must be in writing and filed at the commission office.

Term of office

Four years. Any member can be removed at any time and without cause by the appointing body. (Cal. Publ. Util. Code s. 21671.5(a))

Conflict of interest

The commission must adopt rules for temporary disqualification of its members from participating in review or adoption of a proposal because of a conflict of interest and appointment of a substitute member. (Cal. Publ. Util. Code s. 21672)

Meetings, quorum, action

The commission meets at the call of the chairperson or at the

request of a majority of commission members. A majority of members is a quorum for the transaction of business. No action can be taken except by recorded vote of a majority of the full membership. (Cal. Publ. Util. Code s. 21671.5(e))

Powers and duties

Public Utilities Code section 21674:

"(a) To assist local agencies in ensuring compatible land uses in the vicinity of all new airports and in the vicinity of existing airports to the extent that the land in the vicinity of those airports is not already devoted to incompatible uses.

"(b) To coordinate planning at the state, regional, and local levels so as to provide for the orderly development of air transportation, while at the same time protecting the public health, safety, and welfare.

"(c) To prepare and adopt an airport land use plan pursuant to section 21675.

[Section 21675(a): "The commission plan shall include and shall be based on a long-range master plan or an airport layout plan, as determined by the Division of Aeronautics of the Department of Transportation, that reflects the anticipated growth of the airport during at least the next 20 years." The plan must be guided by the "Airport Land Use Planning Handbook" published by the Division of Aeronautics, Department of Transportation. (s. 21674.7)]

"(d) To review the plans, regulations, and other actions of local agencies and airport operators pursuant to section 21676.

[Section 21676 provides that local agencies whose general plan includes areas covered by an airport land use commission plan must submit a copy of its plan or specific plans to the commission. Before amending a general or specific plan or adopting a zoning ordinance that overlaps with the commission's plan boundaries, the local agency must first refer the proposed action to the commission. In addition, any public agency owning an airport within the commission's plan boundaries must submit to the commission any proposed modification of its airport master plan. If the commission determines that any of the preceding proposed actions are inconsistent with the commission's plan, the local agency may, after a public hearing, overrule the commission by a two-thirds vote of its governing body if it makes specific findings that the proposed action is consistent with the purposes stated in Public Utilities Code section 21670. Thereafter the proposed action is not subject to review by the commission.]

"(e) The powers of the commission shall in no way be construed to give the commission jurisdiction over the operation of any airport.

"(f) In order to carry out its responsibilities, the commission may adopt rules and regulations consistent with this article."

Minutes of the 10/2 meeting of the San Luis Obispo Pilot's Association are as follows:

Those present: Liz Dinan, David Darbyshire, Rick Exler, Bob Tefft, George Petty, Tricia Brimhall and guest Martin Pehl, SLO Airport. The meeting was called to order at 6:20 P.M. This meeting was held at the Spirit of San Luis as there is no access to the SLO Tower at this time.

Old Business:

The Christmas party will be held December 9th at AJ Spurs in Grover Beach. Everyone agreed that we would meet at 6:00 P.M. that evening. Dinner at 6:30 PM. There were no minutes from the last meeting and there is no treasurer's report.

New Business:

Martin Pehl explained the master plan of the airport construction at length. Bob Tefft was contacted by the AOPA, as he is our representative, that Hugh Richardson had contacted them regarding the airport construction. Hugh has also contacted Martin regarding ideas that he has for the construction. Hugh wants to propose that there be two taxiways giving more access to runway 25. Martin has explained to him that this is not part of the master plan and that there needs to be specific steps to alter that plan and since the FAA has approved the existing plan, changes do not seem imminent.

The earliest any other proposals would be addressed would be 2003 and since the events of September 11th, it does seem probable. Martin did discuss the building of new hangars, a fuel island (perhaps on both the East and West sides) and the issues involving these plans. George suggested that they speak with other airports that have recently added hangars and survey their results.

Bob Tefft stated that he had attended the California Pilot's Association meeting that was held at Harris Ranch. He got to meet with Jay White and Austin Wiswell.

At the last meeting of the EAA, it was suggested that we appoint a designate to represent EAA, SLOPA and the Ninety-Nines at the airport committee meetings. One person from each organization would be chosen to attend these meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M. The next meeting will be 1800 hrs., Tues. November 5th and the meeting place will be the Spirit of San Luis Restaurant - for a 'DinnerMeeting'

Presidents Message-October 2001

Following the horrors of 9/11, and the shockwaves upon aviation in the US, there is no doubt that the AOPA has done an excellent job on behalf of all GA pilots.

This organization has worked to 'educate' some of the elected ones, and has done battle with those hoping to use the emergency as an opportunity to permanently diminish GA access to the national airspace.

If you are an AOPA member I urge you write and thank AOPA Pres. Phil Boyer and to join the AOPA PAC. If you are not an AOPA member, I encourage you to join.

Most of the of the airspace has returned to normal for VFR. I must reiterate the caution that areas near power plants, MOA's, government facilities etc. are being watched. Armed aircraft may challenge aircraft loitering in these areas, and pilots are advised to be in contact with ATC and/or monitoring 121.5 if they have some legitimate reason to be in those areas.

On a much lighter note, the SLOPA Holiday Party is set for December 9th, a Sunday, 1800 hrs., at the A.J. Spurs Restaurant in Grover Beach (next to 101 at Oak Park). The food and service is great and we have reserved the banquet room for the party. Please send in your reservations and check before Nov. 20th. Thank you to Rick Etzler for making the arrangements. All aviation folks and friends are invited.

Thanks to Martin Pehl for coming to the meeting last month and discussing what's up with the airport planning and construction.

SLOPA HOLIDAY DINNER

Reservation form

WHEN: December 9th, Sunday, 800 hrs. Eat at 1830 hrs.

WHERE: A.J. Spurs Restaurant, 1760 El Camino Real, Grover Beach (489-7770).

SLOPA has reserved the Banquet Room for the dinner. All local aviation folks and friends are invited to participate.

There will also be a raffle for a variety of items.

COST: \$25.00 per person includes choice of:

- 8 oz. Top Sirloin steak
- 12 oz. Chicken Breast

Dinners Include: "Vaquero Soup, Garden Salad, Tequila Beans, Rice Pilaf, Pan-Fried Spuds, French Garlic Toast, and an old-fashioned Root Beer Float"

Also includes Coffee, Tea, Milk

please respond by November 20th to:

SLOPA Treasurer D. Girard

10 South Third St.,

Cayucos, Ca. 93430

----- **Include a check payable to SLOPA, in the amount of \$25.00 per person attending** -----

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SLOPA HOLIDAY DINNER Reservation

Name(s) attending: _____

Phone Number: _____

Choice(s) for main course (mark how many of each) **Steak** **Chicken**

Please mail this form with a check for \$25.00 per person in your group

Mail to:

**Dick Girard
10 South Third St.,
Cayucos, CA. 93430**

CALENDAR

SLOPA Holiday Dinner

December 9th (Sunday) 1800 hrs.

A.J. Spurs Restaurant - Grover Beach

\$25.00 per person

Choice of Steak or Chicken with AJSpurs great included
soup, salad, rice pilaf, spuds, garlic toast, root beer float,
coffee, tea, milk.

Mail \$25.00 per person to SLOPA Treas.

Dick Girard
10 South Third St.,
Cayucos, CA.

BEFORE NOVEMBER 20th

Members Businesses

Air San Luis *	541-1038
Brooks Woodcraft	544-2505
Cal Coast Fuels*	545-9569
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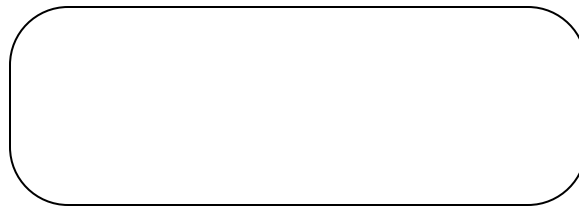
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