



May 19, 2010

To: Airport Futures Planning Advisory Group

From: Bill Blosser, Chair
Dave Smith, Vice Chair

Re: Chairs' Recommendation on Final PAG Report and Airport Futures Overall Package

Based on feedback from our last meeting, we developed a Chairs' Final PAG Report for consideration by the PAG at our May 25 meeting. The Chairs' Final PAG Report includes all the changes approved by the PAG on April 20, recommended language for two deferred items, two recommendations from the Beyond 65 DNL Noise Work Group, and proposed changes to the natural resource section in the Land Use Plan section. *These changes are outlined below.*

Our recommendation is that the PAG take one vote on the Airport Futures Overall Package (including the PDX Master Plan, the City Land Use Plan, the PAG Final Report, the 14 additional PAG recommendations, the three intergovernmental agreements, and the Airport Layout Plan) at our May 25 PAG meeting. If consensus on this package is not reached, we will identify those items, which require individual votes and discussion. *City and Port staff commit that the intergovernmental agreements and other documents will reflect final PAG recommendations included in the Final PAG Report.*

Recommendations on Deferred PAG Report Items

Two items were deferred for staff to work with the PAG proposer to develop new language for PAG consideration. The final recommended language included in the Chairs' Final PAG Report follows:

- 1) Airport Layout Plan language on page 28, bullet 3 and 4:
 - The need for a 3rd parallel runway as well as other alternatives related to expanding capacity will be the subject of further evaluation in future master plans, including the potentially connected actions of a new terminal and a new 3rd parallel runway .
 - A new terminal and/or a 3rd parallel runway will require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act. The EIS will be managed by the FAA. The EIS process will make a determination as to whether the terminal development and the 3rd parallel runway are connected actions.

- 2) PAG Recommendation #11 on page 54:

#11 The Port and the City should consider creative and proactive approaches to sustainability based on a triple-bottom line.

Beyond 65 DNL Noise Work Group Recommendations

Two recommendations from the Noise Work Group are included on page 54 of the Chairs' Final PAG Report:

New #12: The Port, City, and community should work collaboratively, wherever possible, on a legislative agenda and community enhancement concepts related to aircraft noise impacts.

New #13: The Port and City should continue to support implementation of the PDX Fly Quiet Program and other recommendations from the Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study, and work to ensure good communication and coordination on noise abatement efforts among the City and Port noise programs, PDX Citizen Noise Advisory Committee, PDX Community Advisory Committee, and broader community.

Natural Resource Recommendations

The natural resource section in the Land Use Plan summary on pages 44-46 has been changed to reflect the emerging conclusions and agreements regarding mitigation and enhancement.

Summary of April 20 PAG Votes

The April 20 PAG votes (included in the 4/20/10 PAG Meeting Notes) are reflected in the Final PAG Report as follows:

- 1) Adoption of Sustainability Recommendations – NO CHANGE. The PAG voted by majority not to add language on adoption on pages 13 and 15.
- 2) Sustainability Definition – NO CHANGE. The PAG voted by majority not to change the sustainability definition on pages 1 and 13.
- 3) Generational Fairness Language in Sustainability Paragraph – 2 CHANGES (**see bolded language**). The PAG voted by majority to add two sentences on generational fairness at the end of the sustainability paragraph on pages 13-14: **“Not only must these issues be balanced among themselves, they must be balanced between present and future generations. To ensure the quality of life of future generations is not compromised by ours, greater conservation of resources and reduction of pollution by our generation may be required.”** The PAG also voted by majority to replace “may be required” in the last sentence with **“will likely be required.”**
- 4) Generational Fairness Guiding Principle – 2 CHANGES. The PAG voted by majority to change the language in the Generational Fairness Guiding Principle in two places on page 16 (**see bolded language**): “Sustainability is not a choice because the world’s resources are finite, **calling for their most prudent and conservative consumption.** The essence of sustainability is to balance economic, environmental, and social **equity** of current and future generations. As the world shifts its emphasis from quantity to quality growth, we need to ensure the resources we consume and the pollution we generate are understood, considered, and balanced with future quality of life needs when making community planning, development, and governance decisions.” These changes will be made to the Intergovernmental Agreement, Sustainability Report, and PDX Master Plan.

- 5) Economy Guiding Principle – NO CHANGE. The PAG voted by majority not to delete the Economy Guiding Principle on page 16.
- 6) New Sustainability Goal #17 – NO CHANGE. The PAG voted by majority not to add Goal #17 on page 17.
- 7) PDX CAC Meeting Frequency and Subcommittee Structure – NO CHANGE. The PAG voted by majority not to change PDX CAC meetings to every two months or to define the PDX subcommittee structure (see page 52).
- 8) PAG Recommendations #1-11. The PAG voted by consensus to accept PAG recommendations #1-11 on pages 53-54. There was a recommendation to phrase #11 in the positive. After reviewing the language, #11 was eliminated because the City Land Use Plan proposal already prohibits moving or piping the Columbia Slough.
- 9) PAG Recommendation #12 – Partnership – NO CHANGE. The PAG voted by consensus not to add the Partnership recommendation on page 54. Previous PAG Recommendation #12 was eliminated.
- 10) PAG Recommendation #13 – Intergovernmental Agreement – WITHDRAWN/ NO CHANGE. There was no vote on this concept on page 54. Previous PAG Recommendation #13 was eliminated. Staff confirmed their commitment to ensure consistency of language in intergovernmental agreements and other products with PAG recommendations.
- 11) PDX CAC Review and Update - CHANGE. The PAG voted by majority to add language on 5 year review of Master Plan and Land Use Plan and potential community update on page 54. See new PAG Recommendation #14. This change will be made to the intergovernmental agreement.