

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2002

A Town Hall meeting of the Council of the City of Burbank was called to order this date at Luther Burbank Middle School, 3700 Jeffries Avenue, at 6:40 p.m., by Mr. Laurell, Mayor.

ROLL CALL

Present- - - - Council Members Golonski, Vander Borght and Laurell.
Absent - - - - Council Members Murphy and Ramos.
Also Present - Mr. Ovrom, City Manager; Mr. Barlow, City Attorney; and Mrs. Campos, City Clerk.

Flag Salute The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Council Member Golonski.

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Meeting Mayor Laurell welcomed residents and stated the purpose for the Town Hall meeting, and introduced Plan Evaluation and Review Committee (PERC) Members Brian Malone, Dean Shelby, and Mike Napolitano. Mr. Ovrom, City Manager, expressed appreciation to those in attendance and to the PERC members present, and introduced Community Development Director Sue Georgino and staff members Ross Young, Michael Forbes, Justin Hess and Art Bashmakian, Community Assistance Coordinator Bob Kramer, and Public Information Officer Michael McManus

Oral
Communications Mayor Laurell called for oral communications at this time.

Citizen
Comment Appearing to comment were Phil Cunningham, discussing the project at Hollywood Way and Empire Avenue, expressing concern with the amount of development going on currently in the City, and encouraging the Council to consider the quality of life of Burbank residents; Ken Stein, 13-year resident, expressing appreciation for the excellent City services, inquiring as to different take-off patterns, expressing concern about the current security process at the Airport, and inquiring as to the location of the proposed new terminal and the exact location where the security enhancements are proposed to be constructed; Beverly Hartley, in support of beautifying the Airport, but in opposition to more planes and gates, expressing concern that planes take off before 6:00 a.m. and after 11:00 p.m. setting off car alarms and rattling windows; Mark Friedman, stating people should make an effort to attend PERC meetings, that the PERC group will not come up with a new solution to the problem, that the mandate of the citizens is evident by the support for Measure A, on the Southern California Association of Government's projections of Airport

growth, and requesting Council protection from unrestricted growth; James Cohen, 34-year resident of Burbank, in support of noise and traffic reduction and expressing concern with the transient population a large airport brings; Marylee Chipman, resident for 43 years, on Los Angeles not wanting to participate as an owner of the Airport in the past, complaining about noise from Metrolink trains, on current security checks at airports, on the length of time it takes to clear security at the Seattle Airport, on Federal mandates without Federal funds, and in support of the curfew; Chuck Lehman, in opposition to light planes flying at all hours of the night, on traffic congestion in the 4-points area, and requesting signage for the I-5 at the Lincoln Street on-ramp;

Bruce Minniear, requesting a status on take-off and landing patterns of the commercial and business jets and inquiring whether any changes are proposed; Bob Etter, on his family being in Burbank before the Airport existed; Maureen Keane, suggesting the City withhold permission for any land-use change at the Airport which the City controls unless there is a cap and a curfew, recommending no use of the B-6 property until the 161 Study is finished, objecting to Ms. Murphy asking participants at the July 25 City-sponsored breakfast meeting whether they would consider flying to New York from Burbank if such a flight was offered, and expressing support for keeping the Airport as small and regional as possible; Chuck Johnson, resident since 1941, on the PERC group hearing public input mostly from ROAR activists because residents are not attending and on changing flight patterns to an easterly pattern to alleviate noise concerns;

Bryan Andrus, expressing concern for traffic congestion at the 4-points intersection, stating he foresees that Hollywood Way will become another traffic problem if the terminal fronts on Hollywood Way, suggesting another access from San Fernando Road to the new terminal, on traffic jams at the Western Avenue and Alameda Avenue on-ramps to northbound Interstate 5, in opposition to the curfew because he is a pilot and knows that there is no such thing in the United States as restricting landings (only take-offs); Carol Simpson, resident since 1956, concerned about the increase in traffic over the years, that Southwest Airlines is looking to increase their service over the next five years, in support of the nighttime curfew, encouraging residents to get involved in order to expedite the Part 161 Study by addressing the Airport Authority, the Pasadena City Council and Glendale City Council, and suggesting encouraging support from Los Angeles as their citizens are also affected; Howard Rothenbach, introducing himself as the founder and chairman of ROAR, stating that a cap on flights has not been achieved but the City should continue to try, on Burbank's easement

rights over the B-6 property, on SCAG's study tying funds for ground transportation to an increase in flights, and on Measure A being the law; Troy Knutson, expressing concern with Airport noise and with the future development of the B6 property, stating he believes too many flights are already scheduled at the Airport, and that property values will decrease if the Airport is expanded;

Amy Weyand, former Lockheed employee, on the efficiency of security procedures at LAX, asking what it would take to close the Airport, that the Airport creates noise and pollution, on publicity by Southwest Airlines that they will charge double if passengers are too large to fit in their seats, and expressing concern with Ameriflight's late-night flights; John Mercado, on SCAG's predictions that passengers will double at the Airport, on the need for Burbank residents to organize and pressure representatives to request the FAA take a more favorable view of requests, stating he sees the issues as pollution, traffic congestion and noise, and asking how the Council intends to control what the FAA considers an allowable noise level; Brian Malone, stating he has lived in Burbank for 26 years, inviting everyone to attend PERC meetings, and encouraging residents to discuss the Airport issues with their Glendale friends;

David Porter, asking what the financial impact of the Airport will be 5, 10 and 20 years from now, stating SCAG has stated higher income people are attracted to areas with an airport and inquiring what the impact would be on residential values if individuals who pay high prices to live here and use the Airport could no longer avail themselves of the services they now enjoy, asking if the City has sought input from the studios and Ameriflight, whose operations would be impacted by a curfew, and whose potential departure from Burbank would negatively impact the local economy, and requesting that any additional fees collected as a result of additional hours of noise impact to residents (curfew violations) are put into a public trust fund, and that the money in this account be equally divided among those impacted by noise on a quarterly basis, noting that a representative from SCAG agreed that such a process could be worked out.

The Council and staff responded to individual speakers' concerns and comments.

9:10 P.M.
Additional Oral
Communications

Mayor Laurell invited speakers to address the Council a second time, if they so desired. The following individuals spoke:

Chuck Johnson, discussing the issue of potential easterly take-off patterns, and expressing disagreement with the data pertaining to the number of easterly take-offs; Bob Etter,

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inquiring why we don't have an ordinance against airplane noise, stating he was representing Tom McAleer during last night's Council meeting in support of Assembly Bill 2747 and that he was reimbursed \$25 as a result, and making continued personal remarks; Mark Friedman, asking why the City cannot expedite the 161 Study, stating he has toured the Airport to view proposed enhancements and in his opinion the amount of space the Airport claims to require is excessive, and that with the addition of 40,000 square feet of usable space the Airport may lose interest in building a new terminal on the B-6 property; John Mercado, expressing concerns over peak noise and how to control it, and inquiring whether there are any mechanisms in place to mandate airlines to develop an Interim Development Control Ordinance (IDCO) proposal for the Airport property as it could stop the Airport from adding gates and allows the City to differentiate between security enhancements and expansion; Mark Stebbeds, stating he is a sound engineer by trade, expressing disagreement with the arguments regarding sound budgets, and supporting a cap on flights.

The Council and staff members responded to each speakers' comments.

Adjournment There being no further business to come before the Council, the Town Hall meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

APPROVED SEPTEMBER 17, 2002

Margarita Campos, City Clerk

Mayor of the Council
of the City of Burbank