



AGENDA

O'HARE AIRPORT COMMISSION

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
505 BUTLER PLACE
PARK RIDGE, IL 60068**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.

Mission Statement

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- I. **Roll Call**
- II. **Approval of the Minutes**
 - A. **April 16, 2014**
- III. **Aldermen Who Wish to be Heard on a Non-Agenda Item**
- IV. **Citizens Who Wish to be Heard on a Non-Agenda Item**
- V. **Action Items**
 - A. **Finalize recommendation to Council regarding O'Hare referendum question for November ballot (enclose attached packet materials on referendum question that previously went to council)**
 - B. **Recommendation to Council to Write Letters in Support of passing HB 6234 (enclose attached copy of draft city council resolution)**
 - C. **Standing Reports:**
 1. **Communication:** Salomea Klunzinger/Ray Klaus
 2. **In the News:** Rebecca Mills
 3. **Health/Safety Issues:** Bob Harrington
 4. **City Council Updates:** Jim Argionis
 5. **Data:** Mike Ferraro
 6. **FAiR Update:** Jim Argionis/Bob Harrington
- VI. **Discussion items**
 - A. **HB 6234 regarding IEPA and IDOT to conduct study impact of air pollution, noise pollution, emissions**
 - B. **City Manager meeting with Jeanette Camacho**
 - C. **Air Quality Monitor at Maine South**
 1. **District 207 agreed to allow the monitor to remain on its property through June**
 2. **Park Ridge has requested the information which won't be released until after the monitoring period has concluded**
 3. **Air quality expert support to interpret data and use it meaningfully**
 4. **Recommendation that monitoring period be extended and/or made a permanent monitor**
 - D. **Revisit Recommendation to Council Regarding SEIS in light of June 9, 2014 Sun-Times Article entitled "Hearings on runway changes at O'Hare out of earshot of affected residents:**

analysis", that the public hearings on the 2005 ROD were held in areas where air traffic was to decrease after OMP complete.

VII. New Business

VIII. Adjournment



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Chairman Argionis called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

I. Roll Call

On Roll Call, the following indicated their presence: Chairman Argionis and Commissioners Ferraro, Klaus, Mills, Korovilas, Harrington, and Klunzinger.

Joseph and Marcia Zurawski (1415 S. Washington) & City Manager Shawn Hamilton were also present.

II. Approve Minutes – February 19, 2014

Motion by Korovilas. Seconded by Harrington.
Motion carried, voice vote.

III. Aldermen Who Wish to be Heard on a Non-Agenda Item

None present.

IV. Citizens Who Wish to be Heard on a Non-Agenda Item

Marcia Zurawski (1415 S. Washington) spoke about the increase in noise over their homes due to flights. She stated that there seemed to be an increase in noise recently with the change in runway configuration. She thanked the Mayor and City Manager Hamilton for responding to her requests. Chairman Argionis spoke about the history of the runways and configurations, and stressed the importance of registering noise complaints with the ONCC.

V. Action Items

A. Establish Standing Reports and Assignment of Commissioners

Motion by Harrington. Seconded by Korovilas.

Chairman Argionis discussed an item from the last meeting about setting up standing committees with Commissioners chairing committees. Discussion about the roles and purpose of the committees followed. After discussion and consensus, the standing reports / committees and Commissioner assigned would be:

1. Communication – Klunzinger
2. In the News (current events) – Mills
3. Health / Safety – Harrington
4. City Council Updates – Argionis
5. Data – Ferraro
6. FAIR / Community Liaison – Argionis / Harrington

Motion carried, voice vote.

City Manager Hamilton stated that he will revise the standing agenda to include reports from each committee.

VI. Discussion Items

A. Congressman Quigley's letters to Mayor of Chicago and the FAA / Recommendation to Council Re: same for Congresswoman Schakowsky

Chairman Argionis included letters in the packet and they were discussed. FAiR has been working on sending letters and is working on a draft letter to be sent currently. Discussions about having individual Alderman and/or Commissioners draft a similar letter to be sent to local Legislators. Argionis will draft a letter to be forwarded to Alderman Maloney and Mayor Schmidt, to be considered to be forwarded to Legislators.

B. Air Quality Monitor at Maine South

The Commission has discussion about whether or not to request making the monitor permanent. Commissioner Harrington the location was perfect for the BellePlaine runway. Consensus was for the Commission to ask to make the monitor permanent. Some additional research on who to ask and what specifically to ask for would need to be done before the recommendation letter could be send. Consensus to place the item on the next meeting for further discussion.

C. Media Coverage

Articles and information was shared and discussed.

D. Village of Norridge Letter to Citizens and Petition to FAA

Chairman Argionis discussed the letter that was distributed as part of the packet. The letter was sent from the Norridge Village President to residents regarding O'Hare and noise. Discussion about the communication piece the Commission included in the Spokesman the month before.

E. Update on Health / Studies

This will be assigned to the Health / Safety committee for further discussion and analysis.

VII. New Business

None

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Agenda Cover Memorandum

Meeting Date: May 27, 2014

Meeting Type: COW (Committee of the Whole) City Council Budget Workshop

Item Title: Potential Referendum Question from the O'Hare Airport Commission

Action Requested:

Approval

For discussion

Feedback requested

For your information

Staff Contact: Shawn Hamilton, City Manager

Phone Number: 847-318-5205

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Information:

The City of Chicago passed placing the following Advisory Referendum question on the ballot for the November 4, 2014 election:

Should Congress pass a law that requires the Federal Aviation Administration to revisit the criteria it uses to create the "noise contours" that determine which residences near airports across the country are eligible for noise mitigation?

The O'Hare Airport Commission has discussed this topic and believes the City could also benefit from a similar type of Advisory Referendum on the ballot on November 4. They would like the Council to discuss and determine if there is consensus to place a similar type of question on the ballot on November 4. Jim Argionis, Chairman of the O'Hare Airport Commission, will be present at the meeting to address the Council.

Attachments:

- Article Chicago Sun Times
- Article Chicago Tribune
- Email from Chairman Argionis with draft referendum language

www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-two-lawmakers-call-for-ohare-noise-study-20140514,0,2457804.story

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Two lawmakers call for O'Hare noise study

By John Byrne

Tribune reporter

8:32 AM CDT, May 14, 2014

Two state lawmakers are wading into the controversy over noise complaints from people residing near O'Hare International Airport. advertisement

State reps. Dennis Reboletti, R-Elmhurst, and Michael McAuliffe, D-Chicago, will call today for a study to plot jet noise patterns and compare the data to the noise contour projections the City of Chicago issued as part of the environmental impact process for the O'Hare modernization plan, according to spokeswoman Meredith VanKampen.

Both men represent districts near the airport.

Residents with homes close to O'Hare have flooded a noise complaint hotline since new flight patterns began last fall with the opening of another airstrip. Under the changes, most planes now take off toward the west, and the majority of arrivals approach O'Hare from the east.

And last month two Northwest Side aldermen, Mary O'Connor, 41st, and Margaret Laurino, 39th, placed an advisory referendum on the November ballot asking voters whether the federal government should expand the footprint of homes eligible for taxpayer-funded soundproofing.

City aviation officials pointed out Chicago has insulated more than 10,000 residences and about 120 schools around O'Hare since 1996.

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Hamilton, Shawn

From: Argionis, Jim <Jim.Argionis@mbtlaw.com>
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2014 12:57 PM
To: Hamilton, Shawn; parkridgeward6@gmail.com
Cc: Alderman Martin C. Maloney
Subject: RE: Materials O'Hare referendum

The input I received seems to favor that we adopt our own question that might be more meaningful to residents who recognize that additional sound proofing is not the answer as it does not address pollution concerns or when residents wish to have their windows open or spend time outside.

Here is the Chicago language if we decide to use the exact same question on our ballot:

- Should Congress pass a law that requires the Federal Aviation Administration to revisit the criteria it uses to create the "noise contours" that determine which residences near airports across the country are eligible for noise mitigation?

Here are suggested other referendum question options:

Should Congress pass a law to bring the FAA, the City of Chicago and community and suburban leaders to the table to devise a neighborhood-based plan to reduce and mitigate O'Hare noise and pollution?

Or

Should an independent community advisory board be established for O'Hare operations to include both city and suburban residents and other stakeholders to monitor, review, and advise on best practices for O'Hare International Airport to reduce and mitigate O'Hare noise and pollution over residential areas impacted by new runway usage?

Or

Should an independent citizens neighborhood O'Hare oversight board be established to include both city and suburban residents and other stakeholders to monitor, review, and advise on best practices to reduce and mitigate O'Hare noise and pollution for residential areas effected by O'Hare operations?

or

Should Congress pass a law to bring the FAA, the City of Chicago and community and suburban leaders to the table to create and fund an independent citizens neighborhood O'Hare oversight board to include both city and suburban residents and other stakeholders to monitor, review, and advise on best practices for O'Hare International Airport to reduce and mitigate O'Hare noise and pollution for residential areas effected by O'Hare operations?

Or less wordy version

Should Congress pass a law to establish an independent citizens neighborhood O'Hare oversight board to include both city and suburban residents and other stakeholders to monitor, review, and advise on best practices to reduce and mitigate O'Hare noise and pollution for residential areas effected by O'Hare operations?

RESOLUTION NO. 2014 - __

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN LETTERS TO BE SENT TO ELECTED OFFICIALS REPRESENTING THE CITY OF PARK RIDGE SUPPORTING HB 6234

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have reviewed a request from residents affected by the noise and environmental pollution caused by increased air traffic and change in runway usage at O'Hare International Airport;

WHEREAS, HB 6234 has been introduced in the 98th General Assembly seeking to amend the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois and the Environmental Protection Act, to require the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA"), with the assistance of the Department of Transportation (IDOT"), to conduct a study describing the environmental and human health impacts caused by runways and air traffic at Chicago O'Hare International Airport, to require the IEPA when conducting this study, to pay particular attention to the impact of air pollution, noise pollution, the emission of gases and fluids by aircraft, and similar factors on the quality of life, health, and property values of persons who live adjacent to the flight paths used by Chicago O'Hare International Airport, to require the IEPA, with the IDOT's assistance, to monitor actual noise levels experienced in 2014, to requires the IDOT to assist with the study, and to requires the IEPA to deliver a written report of its findings to the General Assembly by no later than October 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have decided to send correspondence to state elected officials in support of HB 6234 and urging it to be passed and implemented;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Park Ridge, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the recitals set forth above are incorporated as Section 1 of this Resolution.

SECTION 2: The City Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute letters to state elected officials, on behalf of the City of Park Ridge, supporting HB 6234 and urging it to be passed and implemented

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval according to law.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Park Ridge, Illinois this ___ day of _____ , A.D., 2014.

Vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent: