



President Wapner thanked Commissioner Hagman and added that it was good to have him on board and commented that his relationships in Sacramento will be a huge help to the Authority as well.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Hearing no requests to speak from the public, President Wapner adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 10:04 a.m., for discussion of the following:

- GC 54956.8, CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
Property: Ontario International Airport, 2900 East Airport Drive, Ontario;  
Authority Negotiator: Executive Director or designee; Negotiating parties: Los Angeles Mayor or his designee; Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

## **RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION**

The Ontario International Airport Authority Commission meeting was reconvened in public session at 10:53 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hagman.

## **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

President Wapner indicated that the Commission provided direction to its negotiators and no other reportable action was taken.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Stephen Rogers*, introduced the Friendly Communities Program and stated that the program has been presented to both profit and non-profit organizations. He asked for support to implement the project designed to promote economic growth.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approved the Minutes for the meeting of the Ontario International Airport Authority of December 1, 2014, as on file with the Secretary/Assistant Secretary.

**MOTION:** Moved by Commissioner Dunn, seconded by Commissioner Bowman and carried with Commissioner Hagman abstaining, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/DISCUSSION/ACTION**

### **2. PRESENTATION (ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT: ECONOMIC IMPACT UPDATE)**

Executive Director Boling presented the Ontario International Airport Economic Impact Update for the last seven years at Ontario International Airport. Executive Director Boling stated that after six years of decline, 2014 showed a minor increase in passenger traffic, however primarily as a result of higher load factors. Based on results through October, it is estimated that Ontario passenger traffic for calendar year 2015 will be up 4.1% over 2013, although this is still down by 43% from 2007.

President Wapner asked how this compared to LAX.

Executive Director Boling responded that LAX is up over 4%. He continued stating that airlines are beginning to increase capacities across their networks, adding that it is projected that airlines scheduled seats will increase slightly in the beginning of March after small declines in the first two months of 2015 as compared to the first two months of 2014. Executive Director Boling stated that all progress was welcomed regardless of the magnitude.

Secretary Loveridge asked for clarification as to what airlines were increasing or adding seats.

Executive Director Boling stated Volaris was adding international flights and Southwest Airlines, but more detailed information could be provided at a later time. Based on the results of a Standard Aviation Economic Impact Model the loss of air service in Ontario over the past seven years has had a huge negative impact on the region's economy. In 2014 alone, the region has been estimated to have lost \$661 million in economic activity compared to 2007. It has also been estimated that the region has 10,700 fewer jobs. This measure of economic impact includes both the direct impact of lost jobs at the airport, the loss of spending by visitors, and the multiplier effect. He added that for each of the past four years the amount of economic activity lost has been estimated to be at least \$500 million. If each of the yearly estimates were added, the cumulative amount would exceed \$3.6 billion in economic loss throughout the region. The decline continues to have a significant effect on the entire Inland Empire. In addition to the direct and indirect economic downturn, with many of the former Ontario passengers having to book flights at LAX, there are approximately 1.3 million unnecessary vehicle trips going past Ontario to LAX. That is 72.8 million miles per year. These 72.8 million miles driven to LAX translate to 165,950 pounds of volatile organic compounds and 37,170 pounds of particulate matter, PM10 and PM2.5. These environmental costs could easily be avoided if local control and additional competitively priced flights were offered at Ontario.

President Wapner requested that the environmental report be forwarded to the Air Quality Management District (AQMD), as well as to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

Commissioner Dunn asked if AQMD, South Coast Air Quality Management District had weighed in on a position on local control of the Ontario International Airport.

President Wapner responded that they had not as they saw it as a political issue, but once they see the environmental impact report, they may be swayed to get involved. Mr. Wapner suggested that Supervisor Gonzales and Mayor Yates receive the report as well, as they represent San Bernardino County on the AQMD board as well as Supervisor John J. Benoit and Mayor Ben Benoit of Riverside County.

Commissioner Dunn also suggested that the report be sent to Shawn Nelson and Miguel Pulido in Orange County.

Secretary Loveridge stated that it would be helpful to have the information in writing so that the information could be forwarded.

Executive Director Boling stated that the information would be prepared and made available on the Set ONTario Free site.

## **COMMISSIONER MATTERS**

### **3. DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS**

President Wapner stated that due to Vice President Ovitt's retirement there was now a vacancy for Vice President and nominated Commissioner Loveridge for Vice President.

**MOTION:** Moved by President Wapner, seconded by Commissioner Bowman and unanimously carried by those present, to approve the nomination of Commissioner Loveridge as Vice President.

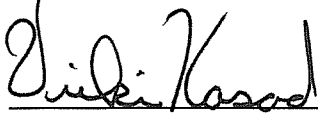
With Secretary Loveridge's nomination to Vice President, the position for Secretary needed to be filled.

**MOTION:** Moved by President Wapner, seconded by Commissioner Hagman and unanimously carried by those present, to approve the nomination of Commissioner Dunn as Secretary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Wapner adjourned the Ontario International Airport Authority Commission meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:



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VICKI KASAD, MMC, ASSISTANT SECRETARY

APPROVED:



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ALAN D. WAPNER, PRESIDENT  
ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY