

Charge to the Aviation Operations Sub-Committee

On April 21, 2017, the Executive Committee voted to approve and deliver the following charge to the Aviation Operations Sub-Committee of the Massport CAC:

A. Purpose and Scope

The Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee (“MCAC”) is the voice of all those communities impacted by Massport operations. Through information gathering and advocacy, the MCAC strives to work collaboratively with impacted communities and Massport to offer local, regional and national solutions to the various issues surrounding Massport operations.

In connection with its core mission, the MCAC hereby creates the Aviation Sub-Committee. It is the purpose and mission of the Aviation Sub-Committee to advise the Massport CAC on issues pertaining to all aspects of Massport’s aviation operations. The Sub-Committee shall, from time to time or upon request by the Chairman, provide a report and recommendations to the Executive Committee of the MCAC (hereinafter referred to simply as the “Executive Committee”) and MCAC representatives in two specific aviation operations areas:

1. Mitigation measures with respect to the impacts of aviation procedures on the ground and in the air (i.e., how planes fly). In this regard the Sub-Committee shall review and make recommendations on current operations, Massport and FAA initiatives and studies pertaining to such aviation operations, and on current trends and issues related to aviation operations specific to Massport as well as on a national level.
2. Mitigation measures to reduce the impacts of runway use procedures (i.e., where planes fly), including but not limited to Logan Airport. In this regard, the Sub-Committee shall work in unison with the Executive Committee and all MCAC members.

B. Outreach and Coordination with the Executive Committee and the MCAC

To the greatest extent possible the Sub-Committee shall consult with MCAC members in order to understand community concerns and address questions or concerns of member communities.

Topics and issues addressed by the Sub-Committee shall include:

1. RNAV Study - Review and provide input to the Massport/FAA study team, and provide recommendations to MCAC; and
2. BLANS – Review the final outcome of the BLANS in conjunction with the Executive Committee and Environmental and Health Sub-Committee and make recommendations on future opportunities related to the BLANS.

Additional aviation impact issues may be studied by the Sub-Committee with prior consultation and consent of the Executive Committee.

C. Role, Information Gathering and Reporting

The Aviation Operations Sub-Committee's role is advisory in nature and limited to the purpose and scope set forth above. The Sub-Committee may request information from Massport and the FAA in connection with its charge and/or the approved topics upon which it will make its recommendations to the MCAC. The Sub-Committee's charge is limited to reporting and making recommendations to the Executive Committee and MCAC. By way of this charge the MCAC does not delegate its authority to the Sub-Committee with respect to any of the express powers, including but not limited to holding public hearings, which are expressly granted to the full MCAC as set forth in its enabling legislation.

No expenses shall be incurred in connection with the Sub-Committee's obligations set forth in this charge, including any costs related to public records requests, without the prior approval of the Executive Committee. Any request from the Sub-Committee to incur expenses shall be related to its duties and responsibilities and shall be within the annual budget approved by the MCAC.

D. Number and Term of Appointment

The Sub-Committee shall be made up of 9 voting members and 3 non-voting members. Non-voting members may participate, but may not vote and, therefore, are not counted toward a quorum. All members shall be appointed for a one-year term with the exception of the initial appointments made by the Executive Committee at its January 10, 2017 meeting (the "Initial Appointments"). The term of the Initial Appointments shall run until the 2018 MCAC Annual meeting. Appointments shall be made by the Chair of the MCAC at the Executive Committee meeting immediately following the annual MCAC meeting. The Chair of the MCAC shall fill any vacancy. Members shall serve until the Chair makes an appointment immediately following the MCAC annual meeting.

Approved on April 21, 2017 by unanimous vote of the Executive Committee.