



Minutes for August 8, 2023

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE MASSPORT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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I. Roll call, Others Present, and Votes

Town/ City	Massport CAC Appointee	Committee Role	Attendance Roll Call	Approve Minutes from 7/11/2023 meeting	Vote #1:	Vote #2:	Vote #3:	Vote #4:	Vote #5:	Adjourn
Boston (Roslindale)	Alan Wright	Treasurer	Present	Y	Approve of moving forward without further MCAC action					Y
Winthrop	Jerry Falbo	Vice Chair	NP	-	-					NP
Boston (Fenway)	Maura Zlody	Secretary	Present	Y	Abstain					Y
Chelsea	Roseann Bongiovanni	Chair	NP	-	-	Vote Tabled	Vote Tabled	Vote Tabled	Vote Tabled	NP
Braintree	Sandra Kunz	At-Large	NP	-	-					NP
Boston (South End)	Stephen Fox	At-Large	Present	Y	Approve of moving forward without further MCAC action					Y
Somerville	Wig Zamore	Environment & Health	Present	Y	Approve of moving forward without further MCAC action					Y
Votes Taken								Vote Status		
1.a. Approve staff inspection of Massport RSIP report with noise expert oversight. OR 1.b. Approve of inspection of Massport RSIP report by noise expert. 1.c. Massport to move forward without further action by MCAC 1.d. Staff to review and assess whether an evaluation should be made.								The option to approve Massport moving forward on RSIP without further action/inspection by MCAC was approved, (option c)		
2. Approve updated bylaws for vote at annual meeting.								Voted tabled until September meeting pending further updates to the bylaws.		
3. Vote to hold public hearing on Hanscom. Voice of the people, no opinion being rendered by MCAC								Vote to be taken on best topic to pursue at the September meeting.		
4. Approve Aviation's elected slate								Vote not taken		
5. Approve charge for Budget Committee								Voted tabled until September meeting pending further updates to the subcommittee charge.		
Key		NP = Not present for vote	N= NO	Y= YES						

Public participants: Carolyn Montello

Others present as noted:

Jennifer Dopazo Gilbert, MCAC General Counsel: Aaron Toffler, ED: Cindy Baxter MCAC: Tommy Butler, MPA.

II. Public Comment:

Carolyn Montello from Medford made public comment regarding the following:

- Noise monitors in Medford, whether the information was being collected and if so, who was receiving the data. Tommy Butler confirmed that Massport did have an active monitor at Magoon and Badger Streets. Cindy will pursue obtaining data from the monitor.
- Communications regarding closure of 33L had not been provided to Medford. Tommy Butler indicated that Massport had conducted a virtual session that was available to everyone, and that other forms of communication had been focused on communities north and south of the airport. MCAC staff will work with Massport to ensure the MCAC redistributes the information provided by Massport to all represented communities.
- Flight patterns seemed to have recently changed over Medford such that they are no longer above 3000 feet above residences. This raises additional concern regarding ultra fine particulate matter. MCAC staff will investigate details and respond.

III. Leadership Update:

- RSIP Next Steps: Draft report received from Massport. The Executive Committee voted to have Massport proceed with their work without further inspection either by staff or a noise expert. The vote count is as indicated in the table above.
- A full-day Executive Committee meeting will be held on September 12th. The agenda for will be provided as a separate document.
- Bylaws Update: Jennifer, Aaron, and Cindy overviewed the bylaws updates, which had been distributed prior to the meeting to all Executive Committee members. It was agreed that further updates were needed. Additional updates will be made by staff with attorney review to allow Executive Committee members time to review and comment prior to voting on September 12th. The September 12th Executive Committee vote will be to approve a final draft ready for full MCAC membership vote at the September 21st annual meeting.
- Goals/Objectives discussion: The goals/objectives were distributed by Aaron in July and are homework for the Executive Committee to review prior to the full day September 12th session where they will be discussed in detail.
- Public hearing. *Holding the first MCAC public hearing, in accordance with the Enabling Act, was met with enthusiasm from the Executive Committee. Considerable discussion ensued regarding the best topic to select. EC members agreed it would be the start of many, as a means of engaging the public and obtaining direct community input. Various topics suggested for consideration included environment and climate, with the Hanscom development project used as a potential example; the RNAV program using noise concentration to frame the conversation; and noise policy and remedies, in conjunction with the planned MCAC response to the FAA Noise Policy request for public input. Staff will consolidate the list of Board suggestions from the meeting recording for further discussion by EC members.*
- LSG update – Not discussed, LSG was not in attendance.
- New Massport leadership. Overviewed by Tommy Butler, (see below).

IV. Massport update. Several items were addressed as follows:

- Tommy Butler addressed some of the questions posed in public forum as noted above.
- Tommy noted that he would continue to keep staff apprised of the RSIP program details in a manner that would allow MCAC input, even though the Executive Committee vote was to have Massport continue the program without the MCAC specifically weighing in on the process.
- Tommy confirmed the tour for September 12th would include Terminal E in addition to a runway tour. He also confirmed that he will find a room for the Executive Committee September 12th meeting that would include the needed technology for a hybrid public meeting.
- Tommy overviewed the new leadership approach. He confirmed that Aviation Director Ed Freni would serve as interim CEO, and that the expected timeframe was around six to nine months to properly vet new leadership when Lisa Wieland leaves in November.

- Tommy highlighted some of the community work Massport had completed, specifically relating to summer jobs for area children. About 280 kids were placed with funding of \$650K to support the effort.
- V. Treasurer's Update. Alan Wright confirmed the budget is in good shape and that reporting is on track for the end of year review to be held at the September 21st annual meeting with full MCAC membership in attendance.
- VI. New Business – reserved for matters the Chair did not reasonably anticipate at the time of posting.
- VII. Correspondence. There was no correspondence to discuss.
- VIII. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote of the quorum in attendance as noted in the table above.

Action Items:

1. Staff will provide an updated Bylaws draft for review by the MCAC Executive Committee by Wednesday, August 23rd. Staff requests that Executive Committee members provide feedback to the draft by August 31st. This will allow staff to include suggested updates for review at the next Executive Committee meeting. Cindy will send a separate email documenting the process for providing feedback.
2. Staff will obtain noise data from the Medford monitors as requested. Staff will also query Massport regarding timely receipt of data from other noise monitors.
3. Staff will work with Massport to receive notice of public communications in advance of posting by Massport to complement the Massport communications distribution with an MCAC communications distribution to the MCAC representatives and communities.
4. Staff will obtain monthly updates from Massport regarding the RSIP program progress.
5. Staff and legal council will review and provide best practices regarding public hearings by August 23rd, along with some potential topics for our first public hearing, for your consideration. Staff and legal council will review and provide best practices regarding public hearings by August 23rd, along with the list of potential topics from the EC meeting recording for further review by the EC. Once staff provides potential topics with scope to the Executive Committee, it is requested that the MCAC Executive Committee provide input and commentary to staff by August 31st. This will allow staff sufficient time to incorporate the Executive Committee input into the documentation that will be used at the next September 12th Executive Committee meeting.