

Resolution No. 11-1826
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COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Councilmembers Crenca and Gudis

Subject: Establishment of Montgomery County Airpark Liaison Committee

Background

1. Montgomery County Airpark was established on December 10, 1959 by special exception granted by the Montgomery County Board of Appeals.
2. Flight operations and activities at Montgomery County Airpark have increased over time to an estimated level of 140,000 annual take-off and landings in 1989.
3. Existing and planned population in the vicinity of Montgomery County Airpark has reached a level unanticipated at the time the airpark was first established.
4. Recent expansion of the Airpark has occurred to accommodate a second Fixed Base Operator (FBO).
5. Future development of Montgomery County Airpark is forecast at an annual service volume potential of 214,000 operations by the year 2010.
6. The incidence of community complaints regarding operations at Montgomery County Airpark has dramatically increased in recent years.
7. Recent community efforts to limit the hours of operation, revise flight patterns and generally place greater restrictions on airpark operations, emphasize the need for increased communication among the community, the County, airpark users, and airpark operator.

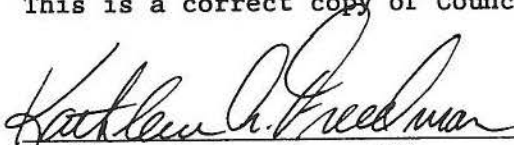
Action

The Montgomery County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following resolution:

- A. A Montgomery County Airpark Liaison Committee is established solely to provide a forum for communication among interested groups and individuals concerned with the operations of Montgomery County Airpark. The responsibilities of the Committee include:

1. Staying abreast of activities that occur in connection with the airpark including leasing arrangements, flight activities, grant requests, and capital improvements.
 2. Holding regular meetings to address substantive complaints regarding flight operations, noise impacts, safety, and airpark operations. Attempts should be made to resolve disagreements.
 3. Advising the County Council on a regular basis concerning the activities at the airpark and recommendations for improvement. If recommendations are made to the County Council, all points of view are to be represented.
- B. The Montgomery County Airpark Liaison Committee will consist of thirteen (13) members appointed by the Montgomery County Council and include representatives of the following:
1. Residential Interests - Five (5) representatives of residents in the geographic area of the airpark operations who reflect the different views of the community
 2. Executive Branch - One (1) representative
 3. Montgomery County Revenue Authority - One (1) representative
 4. Montgomery County Council - One (1) representative
 5. Montgomery County Planning Board - One (1) representative
 6. Montgomery County Airpark developer/leaseholder - One (1) representative
 7. Montgomery County Airpark Users Association - One (1) representative
 8. Business - One (1) representative of commercial interests affected by airpark's operations
 9. Upcounty Citizens' Advisory Board - One (1) representative
- C. It is the intent of the Council to reassess the duties, and responsibilities of the Committee within eighteen (18) months of the Committee's first meeting. At the end of this eighteen month period, the Council will determine the extent to which the objectives for establishing the Committee have been met and whether or not continuation of the Committee is beneficial.
- D. The County Council will provide limited staff support for the Committee.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



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