

Meeting Minutes
RMMA Community Noise Roundtable
February 1, 2024 - 6:00 PM
Approved at the March 7, 2024 Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

The February 1, 2024 RMMA Community Noise Roundtable Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Deven Shaff at approximately 6:00 P.M. A quorum (at least 5 Members present) was Present, the roll was as follows:

Town of Superior	Jason Serbu, Trustee
City of Arvada	John Marriott, Councilmember
Boulder County	Ashley Stolzmann, County Commissioner
City and County of Broomfield	Deven Shaff, Councilmember
Jefferson County	Tracy Kraft-Tharp, County Commissioner
City of Lafayette	David Fridland, Councilmember
City of Louisville	Deborah Fahey, Councilmember
City of Westminster	David DeMott, Councilmember

2. Approval of the Agenda

John Marriott moved for approval of the agenda, seconded by David DeMott. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Approval of the Minutes for the December 7, 2023 RMMACNR Regular Meeting

John Marriott moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Jason Serbu. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Comment

Alan Frobeter – Town of Superior
Charlene Wiley – City of Westminster
Greg Boom – RMMA tenant
Bill Baraya – City of Westminster
Carolyn Farbman – City of Westminster
Randy Johnson – Town of Louviers
Elizabeth Heidl – Skyestone
Phil Louder – City of Lakewood
Heather Hanson – City of Lafayette
Brad Walker – Town of Superior
Morteza Karimzadeh – Town of Superior

5. Airport/Airport Interim Director Update

Ben Miller, Airport Planning and Development Administrator, noted that Jefferson County is proceeding with the procurement process for a Part 150 consultant. RMMA would like to use a

selection committee for the consultant comprised of two Jeffco Airport Advisory Board members, two RMMA Community Noise Roundtable members, and three staff members from the airport. The RMMACNR had discussion on the pros and cons of requesting that a community member(s) be involved in the selection process.

Ashley Stolzmann made a motion by acclamation for Deven Shaff and Jason Serbu to serve on the Part 150 selection committee, seconded by David DeMott. The motion passed unanimously.

David Fridland made a motion to recommend that the Jeffco Procurement Office consider including one community member as part of the Part 150 selection committee, seconded by Ashley Stolzmann.

Stephanie Corbo, Interim Airport Director, noted that Jefferson County did not have selection criteria for a community member, and had brought forth a recommendation that the selection committee be made up of seven members comprised of airport staff, the Jeffco Airport Advisory Board, and the RMMA Community Noise Roundtable. She noted that the RMMACNR would be responsible for defining selection criteria and nominating a community member.

The rollcall for the motion was as follows:

Town of Superior	No
City of Arvada	No
Boulder County	Yes
City and County of Broomfield	No
Jefferson County	Yes
City of Lafayette	Yes
City of Louisville	No
City of Westminster	No

There was further discussion on the relative value of a RMMA Community Noise Roundtable and the recognition that the Part 150 study was viewed as a potentially significant effort towards the roundtable's objectives.

Stephanie Corbo provided an update on the search for a new airport director. ADK Consulting and Executive Search was hired by Jefferson County to lead the recruitment process. ADK is an expert in aviation talent and will also lead a public engagement process as part of the search. One of the first steps will be to gather input from stakeholders prior to the publishing of the actual airport director position. Once the pool of candidates has been narrowed down to a few possibilities, there will be additional stakeholder engagement. The entire process is expected to take approximately three months.

6. Update on Voluntary Nighttime Pattern

Jason Serbu provided an update on the voluntary nighttime noise abatement procedure regarding the preferred use of 30R/12L for pattern operations. According to his calculations, voluntary compliance with this procedure since implementation in September was at 47 percent and was up to 61 percent since October. Jason Serbu's hope was that compliance was at least 50 percent by

one year, and he is hopeful that compliance will continue to trend upward as awareness of the procedure builds. He also reviewed how he reviewed operations and calculated compliance.

7. Presentation and Discussion on Daytime Flight Patterns

Jason Serbu presented a new proposal that would recommend adjusting daytime traffic pattern operations in an effort to provide some noise relief to areas of the Town of Superior. The recommendation applies to operations using 30L and would have pilots lengthen the upwind (departure) leg of the traffic pattern and delay turning crosswind until past the Town of Superior and over Boulder County open space. Current conditions usually have aircraft turning crosswind over the southern portion of the Rock Creek development.

The proposal centers around the concept that aircraft climb fastest when not turning, so to delay the crosswind turn would allow aircraft to climb more efficiently until past the Town of Superior. This should also ensure that aircraft have fully climbed to pattern altitude prior to overflying the neighborhoods of Walnut Grove and Countryside. Given that this is a recommended daytime procedure, air traffic control approval would be required.

Ashley Stolzmann noted the rising terrain within the Boulder County open space that pilots would be overflying under the proposed scenario. Based on analysis that she's seen, some aircraft are already overflying this area at below 500 feet. She also noted that the traffic pattern is often flown wider than illustrated. There was also discussion of how this modified pattern might relate to any recommendations from HMMH's ingress/egress procedures.

RMMACNR members discussed the process for endorsing this proposal for further study by the FAA and airport users. Jason Serbu stated that the proposal needs to be approved unanimously by the RMMACNR in order for the FAA to study the recommendation.

John Marriott made a motion to endorse this proposed traffic pattern concept as an idea to be further explored by the FAA and other airport constituents, seconded by David DeMott.

Tracy Kraft-Tharp noted that given she would need more time to review the proposal before voting to endorse the concept. Ashley Stolzmann noted that she would abstain due to the need for further information. The RMMACNR agreed to table the motion until the following month in order to gather further information.

8. RMMACNR Financial Update

- a. Report on revenue & expenditures to date
Ben Miller, RMMA Planning and Development Administrator, reviewed the 2023 actuals and 2024 adopted budget. Deborah Fahey asked about the status of the contract with HMMH. Deven Shaff responded that the HMMH will likely conclude their work and billing at next month's meeting. HMMH is currently waiting on input from the FAA related to the proposed ingress/egress procedures.

David DeMott noted that Westminster's Mayor Pro-Tem Sarah Nurmella will be serving as the alternate from the City of Westminster.

9. Roundtable Agenda Items

- a. Presentation and Discussion regarding Visual Flight Routes (VFR) - POSTPONED
- b. Presentation and Discussion regarding possible Western Training Grounds - POSTPONED
- c. Direction needed for contract update with HMMH - POSTPONED

10. Committee or Board Member Reports (if time allows)

John Marriott noted that he has outreached to a Colorado-based electric aircraft company that is looking for a manufacturing facility. Quieter electric aircraft, in the long-term, could also provide noise-mitigating benefits. He suggested that the RMMACNR invite this company to present in order to learn more about potential technology benefits.

11. Adjourn

Councilmember Shaff adjourned at 8:01 p.m.