

Airport Advisory Commission

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Chairman, Airport Advisory Commission

Who are we?

- Seven private citizens who voluntarily serve on the Airport Advisory Commission
- Vetted and appointed by City Council to serve a maximum of two consecutive 3-year terms
- Strong backgrounds in Aviation and Business



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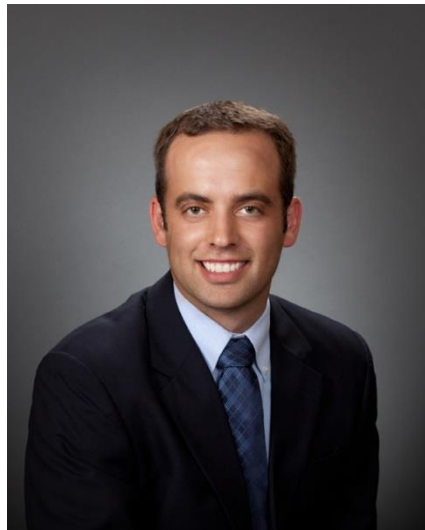
Andi Biancur



Dave Elliott



Randy Courduff



Steven Janitell



Tom Hayden



Mark Baker

Non-voting Members

Andy Pico, City Council Liaison

John Maier, Alternate

Jason Harris, Alternate

Peggy Littleton, El Paso County Commissioner

Rob McDonald, Liaison for Pikes Peak Area of Governments

What do we do? What can we do?

- Advise the Mayor, City Council, El Paso County Commissioners and the El Paso County Planning Commission on issues pertaining to aviation that affect our community
- Meet monthly with the Colorado Springs Airport Director and staff to review on-going operations:
 - Land Use Items referred by the City Planning Commission
 - Current Planning and Development issues
 - Finance and administrative positions
 - Operations and Maintenance activities
 - In-person Aviation Director's Report

Who Do We Advise

- Airport Director
 - Guidance regarding City Council support to the Airport
- City Council
 - Expectations of AAC
 - Communication expectations with City Council
- Mayor/Local Governing Bodies
 - Establish duties of the AAC

AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

- To the Airport Advisory Commission
 - Streamline meeting procedures
 - More clearly define attendance requirements
 - Detail Chair authority and member responsibilities
 - Other issues as necessary

Commission Involvement

- 1041 project with the County and the FAA
- Commercial Aeronautical Zone
 - Established a tax free zone around the airport that exempted those entities from having to pay local sales taxes
 - The benefit of the Commercial Aeronautical Zone enables us to compete with other airports who are taking away our business

Commission Involvement (Cont)

- Support to the Master Plan Upgrade for the Airport
- Support To Airport Business Park Development Effort
- Liaison with Air Service Task Force
- Liaison with Fire Service Task Force Effort

Comments or Questions?