City of Brisbane Agenda Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Clay Holstine, City Manager

DATE: City Council Meeting of October 17, 2011

SUBJECT: Aircraft Noise Issue

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the attached resolution to send to the SFO Airport Roundtable and authorize the staff to draft a letter to the SFO Airport Commission.

SUMMARY

On October 5th the SFO Airport Roundtable conducted a workshop regarding the Brisbane Noise issue. The workshop was attended by Bert Ganoung of the SFO Airport Noise abatement office and Patty Daniel from the FAA/Tracon center in Sacramento. There was also a presentation by a local Brisbane citizens group called SFO Noise.com. Additionally, many Brisbane residents and City Councilmembers attended.

Brisbane received supporting comments from many elected officials representing other cities in the San Mateo County, and our State Representative Jerry Hill. Representatives of Supervisor Tissier and Congresswoman Speier's office also attended and supported us.

At the end of the meeting Roundtable Chairman Richard Newman stated that he would ask the Roundtable at its November 5th meeting to request formally in writing that the FAA study methods for minimizing aircraft noise over Brisbane.

The attached draft Resolution supporting Chairman Newman would be delivered by our Representative Councilwoman Sepi Richardson at the November 5th meeting.

Additionally, at the last City Council meeting Councilwoman Richardson suggested that the City formally request the SFO Airport Commission to get involved in this issue and to advocate for a solution. Staff is suggesting that a letter be drafted for the signature of the Mayor and to be delivered by Councilwoman Richardson at the next available meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-44

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE SUPPORTING AIRPORT ROUNTABLE CHAIRMAN NEWMAN'S FORMAL REQUEST TO THE SAN FRANCISCO AIRPORT ROUNDTABLE

WHEREAS the City Council of Brisbane and the citizens of Brisbane have voiced concern regarding increase aircraft noise from departures from San Francisco International Airport; and

WHEREAS 32% of all SFO departures fly over Brisbane; and

WHEREAS the data from SFO Noise Abatement office shows that there has been a 38% increase in flights since pre 9/11 levels; and

WHEREAS the published procedure for departure most common to fly over Brisbane is the PORTE3 departure that requires that planes fly 4 miles northwest before turning left at approximately the Brisbane Lagoon; and

WHEREAS the Brisbane City Government and residents of Brisbane are requesting that the PORTE3 published departure procedure be followed unless a safety concerns direct otherwise; and

WHEREAS at the September 7th, 2011 Airport Roundtable meeting the SFO Roundtable directed staff to include the Brisbane noise issue in the official Roundtable work plan; and

WHEREAS at the September 7th, 2011 Airport Roundtable meeting SFO Roundtable Chairman Richard Newman requested that the FAA/TRACON air traffic control study the potential of adherence to the published PORTE3 procedure; and

WHEREAS at the October 5, 2011 Airport Roundtable Workshop held on the Brisbane noise issue, Chairman Newman stated that he would bring a formal request to the Airport Roundtable meeting of November 5th stating:

"to ask the Roundtable for the authority to write a letter on behalf of the Roundtable to the FAA to request their assistance in investigating measures that would help minimize aircraft noise exposure on Brisbane."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Brisbane City Council wishes to go on record supporting the drafting of the above mentioned letter and to send its support and appreciation to the Roundtable for addressing this issue.

	Cyril G. Bologoff, Mayor
	esolution 2011-44 was duly and regularly adopted at a regular on October 17, 2011 by the following vote:
AYES:	
NOES:	

Sheri Marie Spediacci, City Clerk