

## **MASTER PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MPAC) - MEETING #2 AGENDA**

**Date/Time:** Monday, October 16, 2017 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Thun Field Airport Office at the Civil Air Patrol building  
16915 103rd Ave. E., Puyallup, WA 98374.

This meeting will establish the MPAC strategic vision for the master plan; review preliminary inventory findings, and; identify factors important to developing the aviation demand forecasts. These are important items for the remainder of the Airport Master Plan.

### **Meeting Tasks and Timeline [2 Hours]:**

1. Introductions and Points-of-Contact [10 Minutes]
  2. Plan Overview and MPAC Role & Responsibilities [20 Minutes]
  3. MPAC Visioning [40 Minutes]
  4. Inventory Findings [20 Minutes]
  5. Forecast Factors [20 Minutes]
  6. Next Steps [10 Minutes]
- Open Discussion

### **Meeting Handouts:**

- Meeting Agenda
- Draft Request for Information (RFI)
- Visioning Materials

Note: Meeting presentation and handout materials will be posted on Airport website

*Thank You for Attending*

## **MEETING #2 AGENDA MPAC MEETING: SUMMARY NOTES**

The following is a summary of key topics from the MPAC Meeting #2:

### **GENERAL MEETING COMMENTS:**

PLU Airport traffic count likely to be extended beyond October, 2017

### **MPAC STRENGTH, WEAKNESS, OPPORTUNITY, THREAT (SWOT) COMMENTS:**

#### **Strengths / Opportunities (+):**

- Airport location/view - best scenery in the region, use to promote Airport
- Tourism opportunity – close connection to Rainier Park recreations
- Population growth - more residents should mean more Airport business opportunities
- Resident growth – stimulate interest in Airport flight training/aircraft ownership
- Resident support of Airport youth education and business activities
- Region has extensive aviation employment diversity – Boeing employees
- Airport proximity to nearby business and commercial ties
- Medical flights operating at Airport
- Extensive military personnel use of Airport for civilian flight training
- Diversity of on-Airport aviation businesses; number of business employees
- Restaurant attracts visitors
- No air traffic control tower - recreation flyers and students intimidated by air traffic towers
- Favorable Airport rates, rents, fees compared to other surrounding airports
- Favorable Airport business tax rates – incentive for Airport business
- Available undeveloped west side Airport property for future expansion
- Available east side land area
- Airport youth and aviation outreach programs and events – ie, EAA Young Eagles
- Clover Park Community College flight training and aircraft mechanics program
- Governmental Airport use for law enforcement search and rescue (Sheriff/Civil Air Patrol)
- Airport proximity to major County events (State Fairgrounds)

#### **Weaknesses / Threats (-):**

- Population growth – increased population density and development around the Airport
- Runway length - constrained extension capabilities
- Runway width – wider runway may accommodate more airplanes

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- Surrounding roadway traffic levels and congestion - Meridian not planned to be expanded
- Aircraft fuel - lack of Jet-A fuel inhibiting use by turboprop aircraft
- Airport 'front-door' appearance and image – condition of buildings
- Airport roadway entrance – poor visibility and aesthetics
- Airport wayfinding - poor Airport roadway signage, appearance of banners
- Airport security issues
- Limited terminal expansion for aviation service operators (FBO/SASO)
- Airport marketing – missed business opportunities
- Aircraft noise
- Lack organized Airport community outreach to promote aviation awareness
- Lack of Operating Revenues to County
- Insufficient Airport funding and investment for facility upkeep
- Poor condition of County-owned buildings/hangars
- Lack of high speed internet to serve business interests
- Airport administrative workload commitments towards ferry operations
- Lack of an airport administration building/office space
- Loss of surrounding golf courses as compatible Airport buffer
- Business & Occupation tax structure within Employment Center Zone – impacts employment
- Lack nearby hotel and conference center

**AVIATION DEMAND FORECAST FACTORS:**

**Positive Factors (+):**

- Current industry pilot shortage - should increase demand for flight training
- County retail business growth and housing should positively influence Airport activities
- Potential for east airfield development
- Aircraft fuel attracts traffic
- Future impacts from possible private airport closures; accommodate based aircraft

**Negative Factors (-):**

- Lack of County investment into Airport facilities
- Hangar condition resulting in a loss of based aircraft
- Airport not keeping up with hangar demand – need to build new hangars
- County building permit process and duration constrains possible Airport development
- Jet-A fuel not offered
- Not capturing demand from surrounding airports

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- Slow County decision making process regarding Airport improvements and developments
- Constrained infrastructure - FBO's need more space for growth
- Current runway length and width – limits traffic

**MPAC Action Items:**

MPAC Actions:

1. Comments from MPAC members on Meeting #2 - by October 30  
(email to jeff.smith@meadhunt.com).
2. Review Working Paper #1 (Inventory) – Early November
3. Review Working Paper #2 (Forecasts) – Mid December
4. MPAC Meeting #3 – Expected January, 2018
5. Notify Airport Team of information that might impact the PLU Airport Master Plan

Project Team Actions:

1. Working Paper #1 to Airport staff for review, then to MPAC members in early November

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#	PAC Member	PAC Meeting #2 10-16-2017
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	<b>Attendants - #</b>	<b>11</b>
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1	Shelly Schlumpf	Attended
2	Lydiah Gathara (or)	Attended
2	John Hinds (or)	
3	Dan Roach	
4	John McArthur	Attended
5	Alex Krieg	
6	Robert Rodriguez	
7	Rusty Wilder	Attended
8	Sergeant Chris Adamson	Attended
9	Deputy Chief Pat Donovan	Attended
10	John Hurlbut	Attended
11	Doug Miller	Attended
12	Rod Wetherbee	
13	Keith Kemper	Attended
14	Nichole Weber	Attended
15	Hans Kueck	Attended