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KERRVILLE-KERR COUNTY JOINT AIRPORT BOARD

Special Meeting

Monday, October 3, 2011

9:00 a.m.

Airport Terminal Conference Room

1877 Airport Loop Road

Kerrville, Texas

MEMBERS PRESENT: MEMBERS ABSENT:
Stephen King, President
Fred Vogt, Vice-President
Tom Moser
Mark Cowden
Corey Walters
Ed Livermore

AIRPORT BOARD STAFF PRESENT:
Bruce McKenzie, Airport Manager
Laurie DeJohn-Ermey, Executive Assistant

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT:
Guy Overby, Commissioner Pct. 2
Jonathan Letz, Commissioner Pct. 3
Rob Henneke, County Attorney

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

VISITORS:

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CALLED TO ORDER

1. VISITORS FORUM 3

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

2A Discuss salaries and benefits differences in
2012 budget recommended by the Board and that
which has been approved by City and County 7

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

3A Section 551.074, Personnel matters -

4. ADJOURNMENT 8

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1 On Monday, October 3, 2011, at 8:30 a.m., a regular
2 meeting of the Kerrville-Kerr County Joint Airport Board was
3 held in the Airport Terminal Conference Room, Louis Schreiner
4 Field, Kerrville, Texas, and the following proceedings were
5 had in open session:

6 P R O C E E D I N G S

7 MR. KING: All right. I'll call the meeting to
8 order of the Kerr County Joint Airport Board, October 3rd,
9 2011, at 9 a.m., Airport Terminal conference room. Item 1,
10 Visitors' forum. At this time, any person with business not
11 scheduled on the agenda may speak with the Airport Board. No
12 deliberation or action may be taken on these items because
13 the Open Meetings Act requires that an item be posted for 72
14 hours before the meeting. Visitors are asked to limit their
15 presentations to three minutes. Anybody have anything they'd
16 like to say? Oh, Jonathan. Mister Commissioner?

17 MR. LIVERMORE: Would you identify yourself,
18 please?

19 MR. KING: Commissioner Letz.

20 COMMISSIONER LETZ: Jonathan Letz. I just want to
21 give a -- my perspective, and I think it's kind of speaking
22 for the county, though I'm not speaking for the county. I
23 want to make it clear kind of how we got to the agreement
24 that's -- and all the work we've done with the City trying to
25 come up with an interlocal agreement for the past, probably,

1 month, anyway. First, I think the board is aware, but I want
2 to say it again just for the record. The County was very
3 happy with the process, the interlocal agreement, the board,
4 the budget, everything the way it was last year under the
5 current -- the old interlocal agreement. We thought
6 everything was operating fine. We had no reasons for any
7 kind of a change to be requested. Our partner, the City,
8 thought otherwise, and that's why we went into a series of
9 lengthy discussions with them to try to come up with a new
10 interlocal agreement.

11 Prior to our -- our last meeting with the City, I
12 talked to many of the board members, and many of the board
13 members kind of gave guidance as to try to do something to
14 keep the board alive, the current system, and we did that.
15 The agreement is, you know, in our mind, tolerable. It's not
16 the agreement we wanted. There was a couple of points I do
17 want to go over. I think there's a little bit of confusion.
18 The main thing that I see is it keeps the board together
19 under the same process, keeps the Airport Manager in place,
20 and it is a one-year deal that allows the owners, the City
21 and the County, to work on a hopefully long-term plan for the
22 airport. Related to the budget, I think there's some
23 confusion between how the City looked at the deal
24 arrangements and the County. I've reread the interlocal
25 agreement several times that we -- both parties have now

1 signed, and I know the City -- which I understand the City
2 didn't attend the meeting -- approved a line item budget.
3 I do not see the interlocal agreement where the
4 City -- the County has the authority or the way to create a
5 budget for this board. It is supposed to be a -- that
6 portion of the interlocal agreement is the same as it was.
7 The Airport Board is supposed to submit a budget. If either
8 party declines it, it reverts to the prior year's. That's
9 what the interlocal agreement says. The County did not
10 approve that line item budget. We approved a lump sum

11 contribution as written in the interlocal agreement of
12 110,000. So, I obviously think the City looked at it one way
13 and we looked at it as a different way. We do not feel that
14 there's, you know, any tie to that current line item budget.
15 That total funding is in the interlocal agreement of 110,000
16 from each party, so I wanted to, you know, point that out.
17 And, you know, I can't say how the City came to their
18 determination; you'd have to talk to them. And the other
19 thing is that I know that I've talked to some of you about
20 the planning committee that's in the new interlocal
21 agreement.

22 MR. MOSER: May I ask you a question about the
23 budget?

24 MR. KING: I don't think we can.

25 COMMISSIONER LETZ: I don't think you can, at least

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1 not under public comment.

2 MR. KING: Public comment.

3 MR. MOSER: How come you have in the past?

4 MR. KING: Well, we can't.

5 MR. MOSER: Okay.

6 COMMISSIONER LETZ: The planning committee was a --
7 something I actually came up with. I brought it up at our
8 last meeting, and my thought was it was a way to get
9 communication, to get the two owners and the Airport Board to
10 the table on a quarterly basis, and that would be to keep,
11 hopefully, what happened this year of a total disconnect from
12 occurring. The other thing is, it is a way, in our mind,
13 to -- or in my mind, to work through a long-term interlocal
14 agreement. As I said earlier, this is a one-year deal in our
15 mind, and that is the reason for that. It is not, from the
16 County's perspective or my perspective, a -- a control
17 mechanism at all. It is to give -- truly to foster
18 communication. And that is how we see that agreement, and
19 that's how we will participate in it. We will not
20 participate in that committee as trying to dictate how this
21 airport is operated. If the City wants to do that, or
22 anybody else, that's just not the purpose of it, not the way

23 it was written. So, those are some general comments. You
24 know, I just wanted to let y'all know that, and hopefully we
25 can work through this year.

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1 MR. KING: Thank you very much.

2 MR. MOSER: Appreciate it.

3 COMMISSIONER OVERBY: Steve, I'll just add to --

4 I'm going to echo what Letz said, and I support -- we support
5 his comments, and I appreciate the hard work that the
6 Commissioner and Judge Tinley did representing the County on
7 our behalf. I just wanted to echo those comments. Thank
8 you.

9 MR. KING: Thank you very much, Commissioner. I
10 appreciate it. The board appreciates it. All right.
11 Anybody else like to talk? Item 2, discussion and possible
12 action. Discuss the salaries and benefits differences in the
13 2012 budget recommended by the board, and -- and that which
14 has been approved by the City and the County. I think we're
15 going to take that into executive session and discuss that
16 under item --

17 MR. LIVERMORE: Can we do that?

18 MR. KING: Yeah, personnel matters.

19 MR. LIVERMORE: Okay.

20 MR. KING: Section 551.074, personnel matters. The
21 Government Code of the State of Texas, 551.074. So, we thank
22 everyone for coming. We really appreciate it. We hope that
23 you guys have a wonderful day, and drive carefully.

24 (The open session was closed at 9:07 a.m.,
25 and an executive session was held, concluding
at 10:59 a.m.)

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1 MR. KING: Okay. We're out of executive session at
2 10:59, and we'll go back into regular session on Item 2,
3 discussion and possible action. Discuss salaries and
4 benefits differences in the 2012 budget recommended by the
5 board and that which has been approved by the City and the
6 County. We're not going to take any action on that. Thank
7 you. Motion to adjourn?

8 MR. COWDEN: So moved.

9 MR. WALTERS: Second.

10 MR. KING: All in favor, aye?

11 (The motion carried by unanimous vote.)

12 (The Airport Board meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.)

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16 I, Kathy Banik, official reporter for Kerr County,

17 Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a

18 true and complete transcription of my stenotype notes taken

19 at the time and place heretofore set forth.

20 DATED at Kerrville, Texas, this 4th day of October,

21 2011.

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