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Agenda & Summary

Falcon Field Ad-hoc Task Force

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- 1. Introductions**—NLewis explained perception problem of her role in task force note taking. Each time she distributes notes for task force, the notes are shared and the community perceives them to be info/decisions by the City when they are ideas/notes only and generated by the task force, not the City. Task Force member Otto Shill agreed to take notes and work with members to ensure there is agreement.

- 2. Balancing business and neighborhood needs—continue the “strategies” discussion.** Bob Hayes with Sabena distributed a memo with recommendations he has worked with the highest levels at Sabena/CAE to ensure agreement. Bob presented to the group. Task Force decided to use this as a basis for creating list of items that could enjoy consensus by the task force. Items from the list the task force preliminarily agreed to (and that will be discussed further by Otto Shill reaching out to members individually over next few weeks) included the following:
 - Falcon should work closely with FAA tower to ensure good communication. Tower should record an ATIS message at the end of the tower day that provides airport requirements, i.e. preferred runway use, calm wind runway use and touch and go preferred direction.
 - FFZ technical committee should review the NDB minimum altitude approach and consider making request to FAA to eliminate.

- Falcon Field needs to acquire an automated weather reporting station (AWOS) to advise pilots of winds, temperature and pressure altitude. Might be another FFZ technical committee research item.
- Falcon Field needs to expedite construction of 4R runway run-up pad to eliminate need for Sabena to first go north to run-up, and then go sought to use the preferred calm wind takeoff runway on 4R.
- Falcon Fields needs to expedite the improvement on 22R-4L runway median to fill the ditch. Concerns raised by some of Sabena's program training managers that will not approve student use for all types of operations due to this ditch.
- Falcon Field should publish finalized guidelines by this group in the Airport/Facility Directory SW.
- Falcon should initiate an educational effort and extensive mailing campaign to all AZ airports, flight schools and other users to make them aware of Falcon's guidelines.
- Takeoff's during daylight hours on 22L and 22R are to be conducted according to the noise abatement procedures established for each type of aircraft.
- Aircraft need to limit extra wide patterns that will adhere to FAA tower instructions.
- No touch and go's between 10 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. on runways 22L and 22R taking off to the southwest.
- All landings are to use the PAPI light system.
- RPM adjustments are to be made smoothly and slowly to avoid creating a sudden noise event.
- Except for arrival or departure requirements, all flights must maintain a min. of 1000' AGL over populated areas.
- During non-tower hours, Sabena to support correct flight patterns and runway use by advising all of their aircraft to use Falcon's guidelines.
- Create an expectation that all operations will use the north runway to fullest extent possible and safety and weather permitting.
- City should move quickly to update the aircraft pattern map currently published by the Dept. of Real Estate.
- Task Force recommendations need to be accepted by the City and implemented within the parameters of FAA rules/laws.
- City needs to create ways to positively reinforce those who follow rules and help create culture of compliance and holding each other accountable.
- City should revisit business plan for Falcon within process that includes public involvement and comment.

3. General group discussion/updates, including:

- a) Task Force—possible changes. (One neighborhood member has health challenges and will become part-time member. Task Force would like to find replacement.)
- b) Next meeting (no next meeting set. Otto Shill to distribute drafts to members for further comment and conclusion. He'll focus in particular on the operational expectations. Some of the other issues related to process would also be added later.)