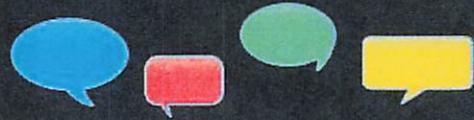




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Agenda Item

6. ALL COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AIRPORTS - OPTION TO AMEND ALL AVIATION LEASES LOCATED AT ALL COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AIRPORTS TO ADD UP TO FIVE YEARS TO EACH CURRENT TERM TO ADDRESS COVID RELATED IMPACTS, WAIVE ASSOCIATED FEES, AND RELATED CEQA EXEMPTION [FUNDING SOURCE: AVAILABLE AIRPORT ENTERPRISE FUND FUND BALANCE] (4 VOTES)

[BL 5 yr Term Extension Aviation Leases Final Agenda Information Sheet All San Diego Airports 5 Year Lease Signed v1 RE EA Approval DPW 5 Year Term Extension Aviation Leases Attachment A Vicinity map Attachment B List of all County of San Diego Airport Leases](#)

10 Public Comments

[Denis Breslin](#) at April 09, 2024 at 10:16pm PDT
Support

As president of the Gillespie Pilots Association and hangar tenant since 1988, I fully support airport lease extensions. We need investments to restore our flight schools and maintenance facilities. Our aircraft parts supply shelves are bare due to lack of cash flow to stock them. We have worked with county staff to craft this short-term, but necessary solution and we need your support to pass it. Please extend the leases to restore county airports struggling to recover from the COVID downturn.

[Phyllis Trombi](#) at April 09, 2024 at 3:17pm PDT
Support

As Chair of the Gillespie Field Development Council, I support the 5-year lease extension motion. This will provide relief to aviation businesses that have not recovered from the economic downturn caused by Covid. Businesses such as restaurants, Padres (sell-out) games, major airlines and construction have rebounded, but businesses at County airports have not. This relief costs the County \$0 but adds to the local economy in jobs, property taxes and residual income of nearby local businesses.

[Karl Gobel](#) at April 09, 2024 at 2:19pm PDT
Support

As a Lessee and pilot at Gillespie Field Airport/Speer Hangars, I am in support to pass the 5 Year Lease Extension, Agenda Item #6. Many leaseholders and businesses on San Diego County Airports were severely impacted financially during the COVID epidemic. Some are slowly recovering but have not quite recovered financially before COVID. This 5 Year Extension is an important step to providing financial support to our local aviation community. Please vote YES.

[Gary Gobel](#) at April 09, 2024 at 1:58pm PDT
Support

As a Lessee and pilot at Gillespie Field Airport/Speer Hangars, I am in support to pass the 5 Year Lease Extension, Agenda Item #6. Many leaseholders and businesses on San Diego County Airports were severely impacted financially during the COVID epidemic. Some are slowly recovering, but have not quite recovered financially before COVID. This 5 Year Extension is an important step to providing financial support to our local aviation community. Please vote YES.

[Andre Zeehandelaar](#) at April 09, 2024 at 11:28am PDT
Support

I have been a pilot since 1977, trained at Gillespie. I ran a flight school that certified 320 pilots for free, now military, civilian, ATP, etc. The control of rents and maintaining affordable facilities is essential to development and the community as well as the nation. Please adopt this ordinance which now includes working family provisions. Thank you

[Leslie Day](#) at April 08, 2024 at 8:53pm PDT
Support

As Vice President of Gillespie Pilots Association and the President of Speer Hangars (leasehold at SEE), I am in full support to pass this agenda item because so many leaseholders and businesses on S.D. County Airports were severely impacted financially during the CoVid pandemic. Some businesses have been slowly recovering, but still have not come back to 100% financially from pre pandemic levels. The 5-year extension is so important to support our local aviation community.

[Paul Teirstein](#) at April 08, 2024 at 5:00pm PDT
Support

I know many lease holders at KSEE and KMYF who have had many challenges over the past few years. I believe adding 5 years to aviation leases is the right thing to do.

[jim law](#) at April 08, 2024 at 2:00pm PDT
Support

As a long time pilot flying out of KSEE and business owner I see the economic hurdles FBOs have encountered. Please give them this additional "breathing room" with this extension to get them through these hard times. Thank you.

[Paul Henkin](#) at April 05, 2024 at 12:09pm PDT

Oppose

The Board Letter whines "County of San Diego Airport Lessees were greatly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic."

It is now the post-COVID era. Is there another reason these businesses are suffering revenue loss? It would be nice to know. It would also be good to have a form copy of the lease, so that we could perhaps see if it is adequate-for instance, does maintenance leave buildings in shape to attract outside business.

A lease extension seems proper but I would like to see more documentation.

[Ed Kurdziel](#) at April 04, 2024 at 11:36am PDT

Support

I am writing in support of agenda item 6. I am one of the owners of Airworld LLC located at Gillespie Field. Our business was negatively impacted by the pandemic and air traffic is still has not reached pre-pandemic levels. The 5 year lease extension will help us secure a temporary new bank loan for our property while we negotiate with the County for a new lease. Thank you! E