



**Regular Meeting Thursday, November 1, 2012 7- 9 pm
Montana Branch Library**

The November 1, 2012 regular meeting of the NOMA Board of Directors was called to order at 7:1 PM. A quorum was present. Attending were: Albin Gielicz, Danillo Bach, Todd James, Carol Landsberg, Evelyn Lauchenauer, Victor Fresco, Doris Sosin, and Mary Jo Stenger. Patricia Bauer was absent.

1. **Minutes:** the Minutes for the October 4, 2012 regular meeting were approved as written.
2. **Guest Speaker:** Albin Gielicz introduced our guest: David Goddard, Chair of the Santa Monica Airport Commission who presented the Commission local ordinances recommendations to the SM City Council regarding the SM Airport.
One of the biggest concerns on the list of concerns for the future of Santa Monica is what happens at the Santa Monica airport in 2015, when current contracts expire. The use of the airport continues to grow and expand and with it comes 4 concerns: economic, health/ air pollution, noise, and safety.
 - 1) Economic: the airport operates at a loss. Even with the help of the non-aviation income, there is still a shortfall that the City must pick up.
 - 2) Health: the small aircraft use leaded fuel. Lead is implicated in damage to the central nervous system, kidneys and red blood cells as well as decreased function of the immune and cardiovascular systems. Aircraft also put out millions of pounds of UFPs (Ultra Fine Particles) implicated in lung and other organ inflammation and atherosclerosis) and Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (OAH implicated in cancer, and endocrine problems), especially when idling, taking off, and landing,
 - 3) Noise: Although 90402 is far enough away that we do not hear all the flights that use the SM airport, we do hear all the planes that turn and go north out of the airport. If you want to see how many planes are in the air over 90402, check out Webtrak. <http://webtrak.bksv.com/smo>. If you put the cursor on the plane, it will give you info about the aircraft.
 - 4) Safety: Aircraft in the air do come down in places other than runways. The 6-7 flight schools pose a huge safety problem because beginning pilots are flying over our densely populated area practicing.

Summary of Airport Commission's Recommendations:

Immediate: Proceed with an ordinance establishing the Flight Operations Reducing Rule (FORR) which would limit the number of flights to 53% of the daily operations from 2010.

Recommendations in 2012- 02 include: 1) legal minimum for aviation. 2) landing fees paid by all users. 3) increased landing fees to cover aviation costs. 4) require toxic tort liability insurance. 5) require flight operations permits. 6) request declaratory relief. 7) enact non-addition rule. 8) enact operation reduction rule. Link for details is:

[http://marvistacc.org/files/Airport%20Commission%20Recommendation%202012%2002%20051712%20vf%20\(3\).pdf](http://marvistacc.org/files/Airport%20Commission%20Recommendation%202012%2002%20051712%20vf%20(3).pdf)

Recommendation in 2012-03 is: remove the 1949 quitclaim parcel from aviation use. Details are at:

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Recommendations listed in 2012-04 include: 1) discontinue non-essential aviation capital expenditures until the future of the airport is determined. 2) discontinue leasing space to all industrial tenants with business activities incompatible with neighboring land uses. 3) removal of the 1949 quitclaim parcel from aviation use. 4) install safety areas at each end of the runway pursuant to the FAA guidelines to provide public safety. 5) limit any future airport land use to a "no additional trip generation" policy so that current land use cannot be intensified. Details are at:

3. Reports:

- **Treasurer's Report:** NOMA took in \$250 in membership dues and another \$175 which was the refund from our de-sponsorship of the Santa Monica Daily Press' Squirm Night because the paper did not allow all City Council candidates to participate. Our expenses were \$300 to the IRS in the process of reinstating our NFP status.
- **Neighborhood Council:** The meeting was canceled, but there is an update from the Wilmont neighborhood organization. There is a new Board in place and the election of officers will be held in the near future.
- **"Santa Monica Talks"** (previously called "Can We Talk?") meetings: there will be a 3 meeting series where Ron Gould, City Manager, and the City staff from all departments will meet with residents to provide essential information about safety and quality-of-life issues and to hear from residents their needs, concerns, and ideas for the future on topics such as: public safety, transportation, parking, planning, housing, community spaces, technology, and sustainability. Comments from residents will give staff information for the 2013-15 budget. The meetings are free. Refreshments will be provided at each session. There is also free child care, bike valets, and Big Blue Bus vouchers. All meetings are wheelchair accessible. Please RSVP at www.smgov.net/smtalks
They will be held:
 - **Saturday, Nov. 10, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** City Manager's presentation at 10:45 am. Franklin Elementary School, 2400 Montana Avenue
 - **Monday, Nov. 12, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.** City Manager's presentation at 7:15 p.m. Santa Monica Civic Auditorium, East Wing, 1855 Main Street
 - **Thursday, Nov. 15, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., simultaneous Spanish translation services.** City Manager's presentation at 7:15 p.m. The Writers Boot Camp, Bldg. I, 2525 Michigan Avenue
Comment forms and meeting materials are available online at www.smgov.net/smtalks
- **House of Rock:** this landmarked house formally owned by Kathryn Grayson that was bought and renovated so that it could regularly host big events will continue to do so. The City Council split their votes on a new ordinance three to three. Now they are looking at a long term solution.
- **North of Montana Homeowners Meeting** about the increase in crime in our area was held at the Brentwood Country Club. It was well done and had a turnout of about 200 people. Albin represented NOMA and encouraged the formation of a block captain program and shared the NOMA website with the group. Evelyn distributed sign-up sheets.
- **City of Santa Monica Youth Wellbeing Report Card:** is based on the premise that, "The Wellbeing of our children is a reflection of the wellbeing of our community." Youth aged 0 to 24 make up 21% of our population, thus insuring their successful development should be a top community priority. There are 11,500 students in the SMMUSD and 9,508 of them in the public schools. 90.9% of students entering Samohi in the Ninth Grade graduate. The categories are: Learning and School Achievement, Social skills and confidence, Emotional Maturity and Mental Health, Physical Health and Development. To see the entire report, go to the web site: www.santamonicayouth.net
- **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT):** CERT was created so citizens could acquire the information and skills necessary to survive on their own during the early stages of a catastrophic disaster. FEMA has expanded the materials and made the program available to communities nationwide. There have been two trainings in Santa Monica so far- they consist of three 6-hour days. CERT instructors from the Santa Monica Fire Department, Santa Monica Police Department and the Office of Emergency Management provided a comprehensive curriculum that taught community members how to effectively prepare for and respond to a city wide emergency or disaster. For registration information please contact the Office of Emergency Management at 310.458.2263, email oem@smgov.net or visit www.smgov.net/oem. For a copy of the comprehensive disaster Manual, go to:

4. Old Business:

- As stated in the Treasurer's report. NOMA was reimbursed by the Daily Press for our Squirm Night sponsorship. We withdrew the fee because the paper decided to exclude some candidates from participating in the event at the last minute.
- NOMA Annual Meeting: it will be a 3-hour meeting on January 17, 2012 in the multi-purpose room at the Main Library from 6 PM until 9 PM. We will have our election of Board members, speakers, refreshments, and a raffle. A committee will be established: Possible speakers: CERT trainers, Jory Phillips, new Council members.
- Nominating Committee for NOMA Board Members: The Bylaws state that the nominating committee shall have five members: three NOMA Board members and two NOMA members. The NOMA Board members are: Patricia Bauer, Evelyn Lauchenauer, and Danilo Bach. NOMA members are: Sherrill Kurchner and Meyera Robbins.
- Squirm Night questions were compiled *via* email before the event.

5. New Business:

- Sending a letter to the City Council requesting a change of date for the Village Trailer Park to January was discussed. We agreed that we support this action and will do this by email.
- Doris Sosin has NOMA history documents to be scanned and put on web site. Carol will scan.
- NOMA will put a link to the Transparency Project on the web site so residents can refer to the data on candidates' funding.
- SMURF sent out mailers to different SM neighborhoods with deceptive wording that made it look like the neighborhood orgs were endorsing candidates. Albin talked with a SMURF representative who assured him they were not doing that in the NOMA neighborhood.

6. Future agenda items: leaf blowers, newsletter, membership drive, block parties, block captains, list for emergency kits onto website, Annual Meeting committee.

7. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 PM

Carol Landsberg, Secretary