

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 1225

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA NIGUEL, CALIFORNIA,
SUPPORTING THE LIMITATION OF THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS
OF AIR FLIGHTS OVER LAGUNA NIGUEL**

WHEREAS, Laguna Niguel residents experience commercial and general aviation overflights from departures from John Wayne Airport, arrivals to John Wayne Airport during reverse flow conditions, and departure/arrivals from Los Angeles International, Long Beach Airport, San Diego Airport as well as other airports; and

WHEREAS, the City residents experience noisy low flying flights after midnight;
and

WHEREAS, the noise and number of flights impact the community's peaceful and quiet nature; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laguna Niguel submitted questions on the effect of the Metroplex project of the City to the Federal Aviation Administration on September 8, 2015 and did not receive a response; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has implemented the Metroplex/NextGen Project operational changes despite community concerns; and

WHEREAS, the implemented changes have exacerbated the airplane noise experienced by the Laguna Niguel community; and

WHEREAS, City staff has met with staff from John Wayne Airport; and

WHEREAS, City staff has met with staff from the Federal Aviation Administration, including the Regional Administrator, subsequent to the FAA adoption of its Record of Decision; and

WHEREAS, numerous residents have reached out to the City with complaints regarding airplane noise over their homes; and

WHEREAS, the City has met with representatives from Citizens for No Plane Noise; and

WHEREAS, the overflight issue is a regional issue; and

WHEREAS, the City hosted a community forum with Orange County Supervisors Lisa Bartlett and Todd Spitzer along with John Wayne Airport staff on May 15, 2017, to answer questions regarding the Metroplex Project and impacts on the community; and

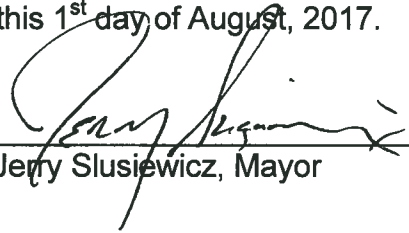
WHEREAS, the 400 community workshop attendees were comprised of City of Laguna Niguel City Council members, Laguna Niguel residents, residents of surrounding communities, and other public officials including Orange County Supervisor Todd Spitzer and Congressional Representative, the Honorable Dana Rohrabacher; and

WHEREAS, the City understands other agencies including the City of Newport Beach and the City of Laguna Beach are in litigation with the FAA over the environmental document prepared for the Metroplex Project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Laguna Niguel as follows:

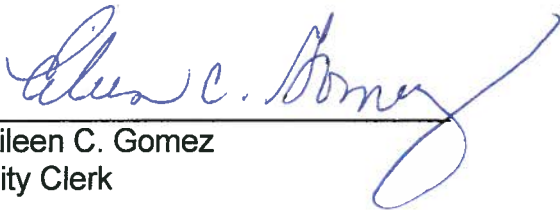
1. The City Council finds the noise of overflights unacceptable.
2. The City Council objects to the practice of flights “cutting the corner” on departures from John Wayne Airport causing the flight to go over the City, particularly the Laguna Sur area.
3. The City Council objects to the implementation of the NextGen project without a meaningful dialogue with the FAA about the impacts on the community.
4. The City Council expresses concern regarding the noise impacts of overflights have on the Laguna Niguel community.
5. The City Council finds it is in the best interest of the community to support all actions which will reduce airplane overflight impacts to its residents.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 1st day of August, 2017.



Jerry Slusiewicz, Mayor

ATTEST:



Eileen C. Gomez
City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

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CITY OF LAGUNA NIGUEL)

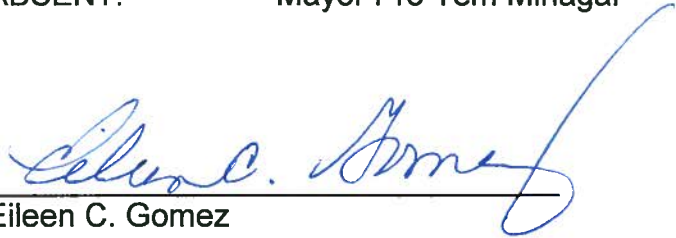
I, Eileen C. Gomez, City Clerk of the City of Laguna Niguel, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is Resolution No. 2017-1225, which was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Niguel, California, held on August 1, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Davies, Gennawey, Jennings, and
 Mayor Slusiewicz

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Minagar



Eileen C. Gomez
City Clerk