Oshawa Executive Airport Virtual Workshop



Agenda

- A) Welcome and Introduction of Presenters
- B) Introductory Remarks
- C) Presentation
- D) Next Steps
- E) Comments/Questions and Answers



Introductory Remarks – How the Workshop Will Work

- Please be respectful and courteous at all times. This workshop is being recorded and staff are taking notes. All questions that are asked, and staff's response to them, will be posted on the City's website.
- This workshop is "virtual" to ensure social distancing. Please be patient as we work with this new meeting format.
- Staff has muted all microphones. Please DO NOT unmute yourself to speak unless you have first been recognized by staff and prompted to speak.
- In order to speak, please advise staff via the Webex "Chat" Function. Staff will recognize you by name in due course and you may unmute your microphone.
- If you are phoning in and not using the Webex Chat Function, but have access to email, please email staff at planning@oshawa.ca with your name if you wish to speak. Staff will be monitoring emails. In due course, staff will recognize you by name and you may unmute your microphone.



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- If you are phoning in and do not have access to a computer, but still wish to speak, staff will be calling out the last names of phone users in alphabetical order at an appropriate time. As we call out each last name, we will unmute the connection in order that you may speak. If staff hear nothing, we will move on to the next name.
- There are 40 participants and it is important that everyone who wishes to be heard has an opportunity to speak. Accordingly, please be concise with your comments and questions, and remain on topic.
- If you have a question but someone else has already asked it, please do not repeat the question.
- If the workshop ends and you still have questions, please email them to staff at planning@oshawa.ca and we will get back to you.



- The Airport Business Plan needs to be refreshed. Work to prepare a new update of the Business Plan for the 2020-2024 timeframe commenced in 2019.
- On May 21, 2019 Council passed a resolution containing a number of directives concerning the update to the Business Plan, including the following:
 - 1. That the updated Business Plan be based in part on the following items:
 - I. That Council reaffirms that it does not support any runway extension at the Airport.
 - II. That the commitment to keep the Airport open to, at a minimum 2033, not be reconsidered.
 - III. That the Airport Business Plan exercise not explore any opportunities to create new serviced land.





- 2. That the updated Business Plan consider the following to improve health, safety and compatibility matters with the community and the environment:
 - I. Explore phasing out or eliminating the use of leaded fuel;
 - II. Explore new technology to advance quieter planes;
 - III. Review the noise and traffic management plan to ensure that the hours of operation/voluntary curfew continues to be supported; and
 - IV. Improve communication with the public on Airport matters.
- 3. That staff prepare a public consultation plan for Council's approval to obtain public input during the process to update the Business Plan.



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- On June 24, 2019, Council adopted Item DS-19-129 forwarding a recommended Public Consultation Plan for the Updated Oshawa Executive Airport Business Plan.
- The Public Consultation Plan was broken into two Phases:

<u>Phase I</u>: Gather information by way of the following:

- I. An Airport Community Liaison Committee (A.C.L.C.) Town Hall meeting (held on September 24, 2019)
- II. A series of stakeholder interviews; and
- III. An online survey, which was made available until October 18, 2019.





<u>Phase II</u>: Gather feedback on the Draft Business Plan through the following process:

- I. The Draft Business Plan will be presented to the Development Services Committee (D.S.C.) and Council and staff will seek direction from Council to hold a public meeting.
- II. The air quality study and noise study will also be submitted concurrently.
- III. The D.S.C. would then hold a public meeting a seek input into the Draft Business Plan.
- IV. The Draft Business Plan would then be referred back to staff to consider the public input.
- V. A Final Business Plan would then be presented to the D.S.C. and Council





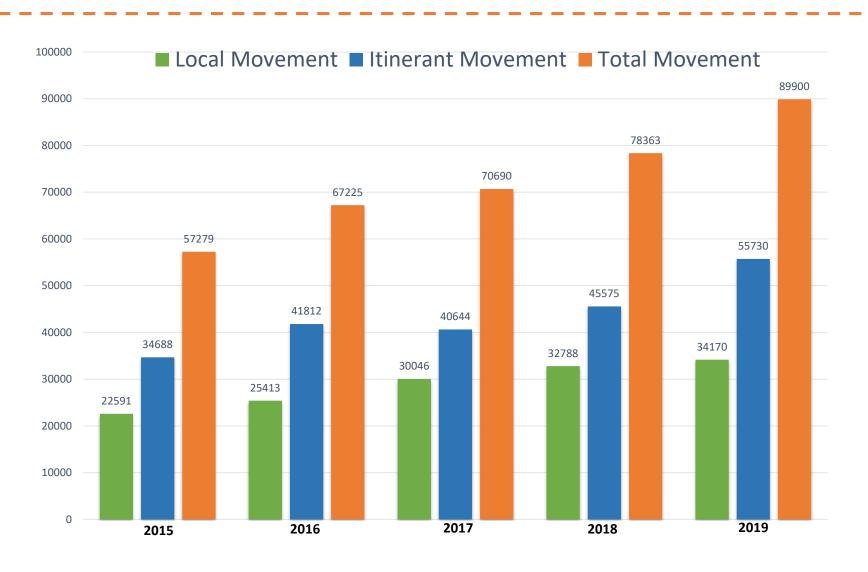
- The purpose of the A.C.L.C. Town Hall meeting was to provide an opportunity for all stakeholders to identify what issues they would like to see addressed in:
 - the 2020 2024 Airport Business Plan; and
 - the Airport Noise and Traffic Management Plan.
- Approximately 175 people attended the A.C.L.C. Town Hall meeting.
- At the A.C.L.C. Town Hall meeting, concerns were raised regarding Airport noise, safety and air quality, the amount of flight training aircraft traffic and circuit patterns, and operating hours of flight training aircraft traffic.



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- On October 15, 2019 Council passed Resolution DS-19-183 which directed staff to undertake the following, among other matters:
 - Review the issues raised at the A.C.L.C. Town Hall meeting and obtain input from NAV CANADA and Transport Canada, as appropriate, in order to provide better balance and respect of Oshawa residents' quality of life;
 - II. Expand the scope of work related to noise and air quality monitoring, to include monitoring in the residential areas surrounding the Airport; and
 - III. Host a series of small workshops with residents, airport businesses and stakeholders to discuss matters raised at the Town Hall meeting, before presenting any draft Business Plan to the D.S.C.



2015 – 2019 Airport Movements





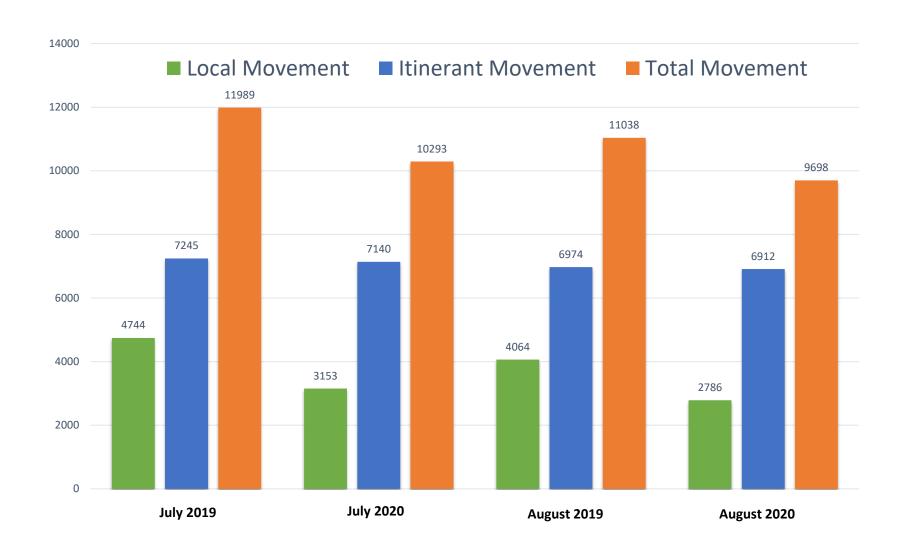
2019 -2020 Monthly Total Movements







Jul/Aug 2019-2020 Monthly Movement Comparison





2018 Airport Movements — Residences in Proximity Comparison





Lease With Canadian Flight Academy ("C.F.A.")

- The lease between the City and C.F.A. which took effect on January 1, 1999 expired on December 31, 2019.
- In December 2019, the City offered C.F.A. a new one (1) year lease with updated terms and more restrictive conditions (including amended hours of operation) pursuant to the direction provided by the D.S.C. at its December 9, 2019 meeting.
- C.F.A. subsequently rejected the new lease proposed by the City.
- Council then directed that written notice be sent to C.F.A. to vacate the premises immediately.
- On May 14, 2020, C.F.A.'s lawyer filed a Notice of Application ("Application") against the City with the Oshawa Superior Court of Justice. Among other matters, the Application sought to have the Court restrain the City from evicting C.F.A.
- On May 27, 2020, the judge for the Oshawa Superior Court of Justice ruled that the status quo be maintained and that the City cannot evict C.F.A. from the premises prior to this matter being dealt with by the Court.
- On August 25, 2020, C.F.A.'s lawyers submitted an Amended Notice of Application asserting that it continues to have a valid lease arrangement with the City.



Regulatory Framework

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- The Airport is owned by the City of Oshawa.
- The Airport is operated and managed By Total Aviation & Airport Solutions.
- NAV CANADA owns and operates the control tower and manages all aircraft arrivals, departures and ground movements between 6:30 AM and 10:30 PM daily.
- Between 10:30 PM and 6:30 AM all aircraft report their activity on a mandatory frequency.
- Transport Canada is the regulator and only the federal government can regulate aircraft activity.
 - Municipal by-laws cannot be used to regulate aircraft activity.
 - Airport Management cannot regulate aircraft activity.
- The City is required to operate the Airport until 2047 under the 1997 Operating and Options Agreement with the federal government.
- The City may close the Airport after 2033 if the Pickering Airport is built.
- The Airport annual operating budget of \$400,000 is offset by over \$1.6m in property tax generated by the Airport lands and former Airport lands.



Noise and Traffic Management

- Airports may establish noise abatement procedures in accordance with Canadian Aviation Regulation 602.105.
 - Follow the process outlined in Transport Canada Advisory Circular 302-002.
 - Extensive consultation.
 - Detailed analysis including impacts on environment, Airport capacity, costs, safety,
 - Transport Canada requires **consensus** from all parties to advance a request to the Minister for consideration.
- As an alternate to AC 302-002, we have a voluntary noise and traffic management plan in place which was last updated in 2016.
 - Includes No touch-n-go circuit flights on Saturday and Sundays after 4:00 PM.
 - Includes No circuits of any kind on the Sundays and Mondays of long weekends.
 - Does not take into consideration the growth from 60,000 to 90,000 annual movements.
 - Does not take into consideration the need for neighbours to work from home due to COVID-19.
 - Does not take into consideration the changing demographic of the City's residents.
- Its time to update the Airport's noise and traffic management plan.
- We are committed to finding a better balance between the Airport and the community.



What Does a Better Balance Look Like?

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- What type of changes should we be considering?
 - Less aircraft activity?
 - No flights on Sundays?
 - Focus on business aircraft activity?
 - Pushing the Feds to advance the Pickering Airport?

- What process do we use to implement these changes?
 - Negotiate changes to the current voluntary plan?
 - Start the formal process AC 302-002?



Next Steps

- Input from the workshop sessions will be considered in the drafting of the 2020-2024 Airport Business Plan.
- Expanded noise and air quality monitoring, including monitoring in the residential areas surrounding the Airport, is planned to be undertaken in 2021.
- The Draft 2020-2024 Airport Business Plan will be presented to D.S.C. and Council with multiple opportunities for public input.



Comments or Questions?

If you have not had an opportunity to comment or ask a question during this workshop session, please submit your comment and/or question to City staff at planning@oshawa.ca. If your submission contains a question, staff will respond with an answer.

Please note that all submissions received by staff will become part of the public record.

Thank you for your participation and your patience!

