

County board of supervisors to take up JWA General Aviation plan on Tuesday June 25

The Orange County Board of Supervisors is scheduled to again consider the John Wayne Airport General Aviation Improvement Program (GAIP) on Tuesday, June 25. This item was continued from the Board's May 7 meeting to allow time for a compromise solution proposed by Supervisor Andrew Do to be evaluated by County staff.

On June 19, County staff moved forward with the same recommendation that was presented at the May 7 Board meeting, which asks the Board to approve Alternative 1. The cities of Costa Mesa and Newport Beach opposes Alternative 1 in its original form because it will result in more jets flying over our community.

Both cities remain willing to consider the "modified Alternative 1" as proposed by Supervisor Do, or another reasonable plan that contains the project elements that protect the communities under the airport's arrival and departure corridors from additional noise and pollution impacts. Specifically, Costa Mesa and Newport Beach leaders are looking for the Board to adopt a plan based on, or that contains element similar to, the principles of Alternative 3 (the preferred alternative):

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- No more than two (2) full-service Fixed Based Operators
- One (1) new and one (1) existing limited-service Fixed Base Operators
- No General Aviation Facility (for processing

international general aviation passengers)

- Increased hangar space for small general aviation planes
- Maintain the current “GA mix”, meaning, keep the current ratio of light general aviation aircraft (single and twin engine) and general aviation jets.

What You Can Do

Learn More at our web page Airport Noise and Concerns or at newportbeachca.gov/gaip

Sign the Petition – <http://chnng.it/Z5V87DkmFv>

Email Your Comments to the Board – www.ocgov.com/gov/bos/opinion

Attend the June 25 Board of Supervisors Meeting – Starts at 9:30 a.m. at 333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Santa Ana, CA 92701.

The City of Newport Beach has received a number of questions about or related to the GAIP.

You can find a list of those questions, with the city’s answers, [here](#).