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### **NAS JRB Fort Worth Regional Coordination Committee January 25, 2021 1:30 p.m.**

#### **Remote Access via Zoom Meeting**

The Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth (NAS JRB Fort Worth) Regional Coordination Committee (RCC) convened at 1:30 p.m. on January 25, 2021. The meeting was hosted by COG through Zoom meeting. Due to the nature of the virtual meeting technology, a full list of attendees will not be provided. Roll was called for Voting Members and that information is reflected here.

#### **Voting Members in Attendance**

Councilmember Dennis Shingleton, Chair, City of Fort Worth  
Debbie Whitley, Vice Chair, City of Lake Worth  
Randy Skinner, Treasurer, Tarrant County  
Stacey Almond, City of Lake Worth  
Councilmember Dan Chisholm, City of River Oaks  
Mike Coleman, City of Westworth Village  
Jeff James, City of White Settlement  
Councilmember Laura Mackey, City of Benbrook  
Councilmember Dr. Larry Marshall, City of Benbrook  
Councilmember Paul Moore, City of White Settlement  
Paul Paine, City of Fort Worth  
Angie Winkle, City of Sansom Park

#### **Meeting Summary Outline**

1. Welcome and Roll Call
2. Approval of October 19, 2020 Meeting Summary (Action)
3. Officer Nominating Committee Report
4. NAS JRB Fort Worth Tenant Commands Series: Commander, Fleet Logistics Support Wing (CFLSW)
5. Joint Land Use Study Implementation Grant Update
6. Development Review Project Update
7. NAS JRB Fort Worth Update
8. Administrative Updates
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  - Transportation Project Implementation Update
  - Media Alerts
  - Correspondence
  - Attendance Report
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**Item 1. Welcome and Roll Call:**

Councilmember Dennis Shingleton called the Committee to order at 1:30 p.m.

**Item 2. Approval of October 19, 2020, Meeting Summary (Action):**

The motion to approve the meeting summary was made by Mike Coleman. Councilmember Larry Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Item 3. Officer Nominating Committee Report:**

Councilmember Shingleton provided an overview of the nominations committee and announced the list of proposed RCC officers. There was a general agreement to move the slate of officers to the next meeting for action. No additional nominations were received from the floor.

The officer nomination slate is as follows:

Mike Coleman, City of Westworth Village, as Chair

Councilmember Dr. Larry Marshall, City of Benbrook, as Vice-Chair

Councilmember Dan Chisholm, City of River Oaks, as Secretary

Jeff James, City of White Settlement, as Treasurer

**Item 4. NAS JRB Fort Worth Tenant Commands Series: Commander, Fleet Logistics Support Wing (CFLSW):**

Captain Todd Boland, USN. Commander FLSW, with NAS JRB Fort Worth, presented on the Fleet Logistics Support Wing. The headquarters is located at the NAS JRB in Fort Worth. Captain Boland said the wing supports 14 separate squadrons (located from Italy to Hawaii), with 52 aircraft (3 types supported are the K/C – 130T “Hercules”, C-40 A “Clipper”, C-37A/B – “Gulfstream”) and 2,900 personnel.

He gave background on the wing to the group. Established in December 1941, the Navy VR squadron was created to support the War in the Pacific. The initial pilot training center was established with American Airlines at Meacham Field the same year. After the war, the Navy retained a core group to support Navy Unique Fleet Essential Airlift requirements. This support has expanded and continues today under the Fleet Logistics Support Wing. The wing serves as an on-demand logistics support site for fleet operations 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Captain Boland said global fleet support and international response capability is demonstrated through the Navy Air Logistics Office (NALO) in New Orleans by scheduling logistics missions; and Forward Fleets schedule deployed aircraft in Bahrain, Sigonella, Italy, and Atsugi, Japan with aircraft/personnel rotating every 45-60 days during the pandemic.

Some of the events Captain Boland said he is proud of was the wing provided support to the USS Theodore Roosevelt during a COVID outbreak in Guam, and in moving 1,200 sailors a month from boot camp to follow-on training to mitigate COVID risks to the sailors.



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#### **Item 5. Joint Land Use Study Implementation Grant Update:**

Amanda Wilson presented an update on the JLUS Implementation Grant. This is an 18-month grant which is scheduled to be finished by February 2022. Amanda gave a summary of the grant scope of work and grant tasks that are underway. Some of the current efforts that have taken place are updates to the project theme, logo, design style and website updates, notably [www.nctcoq.org/jlus](http://www.nctcoq.org/jlus) and [www.JoiningForcesNTX.org](http://www.JoiningForcesNTX.org). There have been no updates to the RCC webpage. She also said several tasks related to sound attenuation have been started, and we are looking to see if there are any assistance programs presently available for energy efficiency that will create benefits with sound efficiency. Parcel compatibility as it relates to sound attenuation will be a work focus issue until 2022.

Other major grant tasks that occurred, since the last RCC meeting, were virtual meetings coordinating with other agencies in Texas working on JLUS projects or implementation of JLUS projects. Participants were Council of Governments, counties, and cities who are in the middle of, finished, or implementing a JLUS. The first virtual meeting in November 2020 was mainly introductions; individuals and issues at each Texas installation. The second virtual meeting discussed the top priority – the upcoming legislative session. There were five issues in the legislative arena in the areas of compatible development, the main one being SB 149 - the critical infrastructure/UAS bill which garnered a broad agreement of support across the state. It is a high priority for the Texas Commanders Council. Dan Kessler followed up Amanda's overview by highlighting another legislative issue regarding limited county authority to approve wind farm siting. One was approved in the Del Rio area (approximately 200,000 acres in size) directly adjacent to Laughlin Air Force Base. Dan said it can potentially become a huge issue in the future.

Amanda said both coordination meetings were very helpful and quarterly meetings will be scheduled.

#### **Item 6. Development Review Project Update:**

Amanda Wilson presented three projects in the City of Lake Worth submitted through the Development Review Tool since the last RCC meeting. They are Project 128, Project 130, and Project 131, in particular, is a replat. It is a combination of two plots of land for a single-family home remodel. NAS JRB Fort Worth had no objections to any of the proposed projects. Amanda relayed to please submit projects for a zoning or land use change to the Development Tool and the RCC will provide comments and feedback.

#### **Item 7. NAS JRB Fort Worth Update**

Captain Mark McLean introduced Sr. Chief Clinton Cochran to give a slide presentation on the NAS JRB Fort Worth Counter Small UAS (Unmanned Aircraft System) Program. Chief Cochran said the base has a couple of drone detection systems for use. The systems can pick up a large number of various manufacturers, makes, and models of drones around the vicinity of the base. One is a Fixed System which is a fixed antenna mounted semi-permanently on base with a coverage radius of potential detection and electronic countermeasure defense. It has the capability to detect 85% of drones on the consumer market. The other is a Mobile System which is a mobile emitter system with the ability to employ security patrol forces capable of electronic attack by means of overwhelming sensors on UAS. UAS will respond as programmed in the event of loss of connection with the controller. Sr. Chief Cochran said as of 2020 the FAA requires all



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drone pilots to register their drone with the agency and to provide their serial number (which also will be broadcasted during flight) not only in Texas but the United States as well. This ensures the base will have drone owner contact information, location, and identification. UAS/drone operators who plan to fly within 5 miles of the NAS JRB Fort Worth fence line must contact Base Operations prior to flight. Mike Coleman asked when will the system go into effect. Sr. Chief Cochran said it went into effect last March/April. Captain McLean said the main area of interest for the system is just inside the base's fence line.

Captain Mark McLean gave an update on the health of the installation. He said there have been 500 total cases of COVID since last March averaging 20-30 a day and 19 total hospitalizations. As of January 20, there are 28 cases and 2 unfortunate losses. Masks are mandatory on base following Executive Order. Captain McLean reported that Moderna vaccinations have begun for service and civilians – 500 total with 800 doses received.

Captain McLean gave the good news that on January 8<sup>th</sup>, the Secretary of the Air Force gave a Record of Decision naming the 301<sup>st</sup> as an operational beddown location of the F-35. It will be the first Air Force reserve unit for the F-35. They said Lockheed Martin being located across the runway of the base made NAS JRB Fort Worth an optimal location. The first F-35 should appear summer of fiscal year 2024.

The base is planning events (all COVID dependent) to hold a drive-in July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks show, a Veteran's Day event in November of 2021 and an 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pearl Harbor celebration on December 7, 2021.

#### **Item 8. Administrative Updates:**

- **Scheduling Update:** The next RCC meeting will take place Monday, April 19, 2021 via Zoom.
- **West Tarrant Alliance Group Scheduling Update:** The next meeting scheduled for February 4, 2021 has been cancelled.
- **Transportation Project Implementation Update:** Dan Kessler said the Westworth Village Bike Trail project is complete. The next project focus will be connecting Westworth to the Bomber Spur Bike Trail.
- **Media Alerts:** Included in the packets.
- **Correspondence:** Included in the packets.
- **Attendance Reports:** Included in the packets.

#### **Item 9. Public Comments:**

There were no public comments made.