

**LOS ANGELES WORLD AIRPORTS
ADA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
LOS ANGELES, CA
18 AUGUST 2015**

Meeting started at 1:09 p.m.

Roll Call was not taken

Chairman Overton Chairman stated that the Airport and City of Ontario announced that Ontario Airport is being sold to joint powers organization made up of representatives from San Bernardino, Riverside and Orange counties, and City of Ontario. The committee is still planning a tour of Ontario next month. Committee has no idea what the plans are for the new owner to establish an A.D.A. Advisory Committee or have an A.D.A. Coordinator or what.

Chairman Overton The general manager of the airport announced that they were opening and providing space to open a permanent immigration customs facility at Van Nuys. Apparently business travel has picked up considerably at Van Nuys, a lot of business executives from out of the country like to fly in there. We've never done a visit to Van Nuys, mostly because of the lower public use of the area.

The Airport Commission met and approved issuing permit for UBER to pick up at the Airport (LAX).

Mr. Terrell Discussed with Barbara Yamamoto who is in charge of the LAWA VIP Information desk about expanding his wheelchair services and getting the information out. Also discussed how his wheel chair provider can get some advertising rights here in LAWA.

Ms. Harmon The LA Accessibility improvements project at L.A.X. is happening in the central terminal area, phase 1 is complete. Phase 2A is 90 percent complete. They have some punch list work to do that includes passenger loading zones as an

example. The signs are up, also, the passenger loading zones, the striping in not. Phase 2B begins in December of this year and will involve work that further from the terminals structures, where we're getting less and less traffic. We saved the less congested areas for last. We have also begun work at the Van Nuys FlyAways.

- Mr. Herrera Asked if it's possible to start placing mats on the ground at the terminals for a blind passenger to find their way around or some kind of permanent place markers.
- Mr. Johnson (ACCESS) It's come to our attention and I guess it's intermittent that some of the drivers are getting charged \$4 fee when they're coming to pick up some of the Access riders so we wanted to get some insight, perhaps some direction on how to address that with whomever we need to talk to.
- Mr. Chrisman (ACCESS) Addressed the problem to Ahold of Alphonse, he is the supervisor at Authorized Taxicab Supervision. The problem seems to relate to the taxis that are performing the access services and they have this blue access logo on the vehicle and I asked Alphonso if there's a way that the taxis that are performing can possibly be exempt from the 44 charge since they're not doing a traditional taxi service. They're functioning as a Paratransit driver. We treat them at ACCESS the same way as the white vans that everyone's familiar with. He understood my concerns but his response was that his direction had to come from above, from LAWA and even mentioned DOT for some reason, a gentleman named Tom Dressler.
- Chairman Overton Recommended drafting an e-mail describing the problems and sending it to Larry Rolon.
- Mr. Chrisman Asked about the status of the ACCESS stand signs.
- Chairman Overton Larry told us couple of months ago that they were discussions about changing the signs and in part, because they're too short compared to other airport signs. Overton suggested to committee if they have more concerns regarding the sign to e-mail Larry Rolon. We are still going to go forward with inspection of Ontario next month despite of the pending sale. Chairman also discussed doing a visit to Van Nuys Airport because the airport is putting in a permanent customs unit. There is an issue with vehicles

picking up disabled passengers getting charged the \$4 fee while white access vans do not get charged. Chairman asked Transport Company to detail compliant in an e-mail to Larry and see if there's a reason for the inconsistency. Heidi Harmon told us that construction at the FlyAway has started in reaction to the lawsuit settlement.

Ms. Tso

Reported on the vending machine settlement that was supposed to go to the Board but they are having issues, the hold up because it's the city attorney's position and the city's position that the vending machines need to be replaced to confirm with the 48-inch height limitation.

Shared an article about how UBER was supposed to open at L.A.X. And this was July 17th; and then there was the PUC judge- PUC is the entity which permits UBER and LYFT to do business in California, and asked if this was discussed with committee members?

Chairman Overton

Discussed with city attorney and the committee on why UBER cannot start business at L.A.X.? Shortly after the PUC decision, the city council took jurisdiction of the Board of Airport Commissioners decision to permit TNC.

Ms. Tso

There is an A.D.A. self-evaluation regarding various divisions in L.A.W.A.as to A.D.A.

Chairman Overton

Larry was asking us to raise issues that might not have been covered in the evaluation questions.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 p.m.