HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION Regular Monthly Meeting Saturday, July 27, 1957

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was called to order by Dr. Francis K. Sylva, Chairman, on Saturday, July 27, 1957, at 10:10 a.m., in the Board Room of the Commission, Overseas Terminal Building, Honolulu International Airport.

A quorum of the Commission was in attendance. (See record of attendance). GENERAL

MINUTES OF JUNE 22, 1957, AND SPECIAL MEETING, JULY 13, 1957: It was moved by Mr. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Duponte, and unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes of June 22, 1957, and the Special Meeting, July 13, 1957, as circulated.

CIVIL AIR PATROL'S REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$5,000: The Acting Director stated that the CAP requested an additional \$5,000 to pay outstanding obligations totaling \$3990 at the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 1957). In view of the fact that the expenditures are being incurred without regard to availability of funds and that the CAP has been making expenditures at a rate in excess of their appropriation and also the fact that the HAC books for the 1957 fiscal year have been closed, he recommended that this request be denied. It was moved by Mr. Duponte, seconded by Mr. Bronte, to deny the request for an additional \$5,000 as recommended by the staff.

The motion was lost by a vote of 4 ayes to 5 nayes.

Affirmative votes: Messrs. Duponte, Bronte, Kobayashi, Sylva

Negative votes: Messrs. Hodgson, Furtado, Edwards, Pietsch, Honda.

In view of the fact that the CAP has given the community outstanding service and the fact that they have recently won national recognition by winning the U. S. National honors for the most outstanding Drill Team, it was moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Hodgson, and

VOTED: to grant the Civil Air Patrol an additional \$5,000 with the understanding that no money may be given again this fiscal year.

Affirmative votes: Messrs. Edwards, Hodgson, Pietsch, Furtado, Honda, Kobayashi, Sylva

Negative votes: Messrs. Duponte, Bronte

Motion carried.

CIVIL AIR PATROL'S APPROPRIATION OF \$15,000: In accordance with the mandate set forth by law, it was moved by Mr. Pietsch, seconded by Mr. Edwards and unanimously

VOTED: to grant the Civil Air Patrol \$15,000 for the fiscal year 1957-1958 in accordance with Joint Resolution #30, Session Laws of Hawaii 1951.

MAINLAND TRAVEL FOR MR. ROBERT FUKUDA, DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL: Since representatives of the Air Force, Navy and the CAA left for Washington, D. C., to determine the status of bills before Congress pertaining to the Honolulu International Airport, it was moved by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Furtado, and unanimously

VOTED: to authorize Mr. Robert K. Fukuda, Deputy Attorney General, to accompany representatives from the Air Force, Navy and the Civil Aeronautics Administration to Washington, D. C., to finalize the bills pertaining to HAC for presentation to the Congress of the United States, to wit: Minutes, July 27, 1957

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- Amending the Organic Act to allow HAC to lease for 65 years.
- 2. \$14,000,000 Aviation Revenue Bond Authorization.

3. The Land Exchange Bill.

RESOLUTION RE PETER GLUCKMANN: It was moved by Mr. Furtado, seconded by Mr. Honda, and unanimously

VOTED: to formally adopt the Resolution commending Mr. Peter Gluckmann, the flying watchmaker, for his solo flight from San Francisco to Honolulu and return in his single engine Beechcraft Bonanza.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on the 15th day of June 1957, Peter Gluckmann, the flying watchmaker, arrived at Honolulu International Airport in his single engine Beechcraft Bonanza for the first solo flight from San Francisco to Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of June 1957, he left Honolulu for San Francisco in the same plane;

NOW, THEREFORE, EE IT RESOLVED that the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission join with the people of Hawaii in extending congratulations to Peter Gluckmann for being the first man in Aviation History to make a solo flight from San Francisco to Honolulu and return in a small plane, in commending him for the significant and notable undertaking, and in expressing best wishes for his continued success in his future flights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission that this Resolution be made a matter of record, and that a duly authenticated copy be forwarded to Peter Gluckmann.

SERVICE AWARDS: Act 11, Session Laws of Hawaii 1957, authorizes the presentation of a service award to any employee who has served continuously in a department for a period of 25 or more years or ten or more years at the time of his retirement. The cost of such a service award must not exceed \$25.00. It was moved by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Pietsch, and unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the provision of Act 11, Session Laws of Hawaii 1957, governing service awards as a policy of this Commission.

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HONOIULU TECHNICAL SCHOOL: The Acting Director recommended that the Commission comply with Senate Concurrent Resolution #57 which urged the HAC to refrain from charging rental to the Honolulu Technical School for space occupied on the Honolulu International Airport. Also, since the school has no funds available to pay their back rent, he further recommended that the \$8,280.16 be written off the books as an uncollectible debt. It was moved by Mr. Kobayashi, seconded by Mr. Pietsch, and unanimously

VOTED: to accept the Acting Director's recommendation that the \$8,280.16 owing by the Honolulu Technical School be written off the books as an uncollectible debt.

Mr. Hodgson stated that under the Federal Airport Act the HAC is required to give priority to the aeronautical operators rather than to non-aeronautical operators and inquired whether the space the Honolulu Technical School occupied could be used for higher aeronautical purposes here at the airport. The Acting Director stated that there was no immediate demand by aeronautical operators at the present moment but the HTS is not living up to our standards or to our rules and regulations, and the premises are unclean and untidy, perhaps due to the summer vacation when the premises are not in use. In view of the fact that the premises will probably be needed for aeronautical purposes at the end of this year (1957) it was moved by Mr. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Bronte, and unanimously

VOTED: to inform the Honolulu Technical School, Department of Public Instruction, that the property they are presently occupying will be needed by the HAC by the end of this year (1957) for aeronautical purposes (as mandated by the Federal Airport Act) and that in the meantime they maintain the premises at the Honolulu International Airport in a more satisfactory manner.

The chairman stated that the DPT has an appropriation of \$300,000 for a building which could probably house the Honolulu Technical School and the action taken by this Commission will give them an incentive to rush plans for the future.

IN-FLIGHT MEAL SERVICE FURNISHED BY PAN AMERICAN: The Acting Director stated that the staff had recently learned that Pan American was furnishing in-flight meals to certain contract air carriers, and wrote to Pan American on June 7, 1957, notifying them of the Commission's policy. However, to date, no reply has been received and the Acting Director stated that Pan American is following their usual pattern of completely ignoring airport authority. Mr. Edwards inquired whether we addressed our letter to the local or head-quarters office to which the Acting Director replied, "to Mr. Mullahey, Director of the South Pacific Area." Mr. Pietsch stated that it might be the time to write over the signature of the chairman to their (Pan American's) head office. In light of the above, it was moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Hodgson, and unanimously

OTED: to refer this matter to the staff for action during the interval preceding our next monthly meeting (August 24, 1957), that the staff if necessary be instructed to bring this matter to the attention of the head office of Pan American; further that a very strongly worded notice be given to them that if the above is not speedily acted upon, in view of the long delay more drastic action may be required to be taken at the next meeting of this Commission.

SEWERAGE SYSTEM AT HONOLULU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT: The chairman stated that the Commission was briefed in regard to the Department of Public Works' recommendation to re-route and reconstruct the existing sewerage system within the development area inasmuch as the existing main sewage pumping station lies within the proposed terminal building. In order that the Commission may get further facts on the subject, it was moved by Mr. Honda, that the Deputy Attorney General (assigned to the Commission) and the staff confer with the City and County Sewer Department and make preliminary negotiations and report back at the next regular monthly meeting. The chairman suggested that possibly this is a matter to be referred to the Terminal Planning and Coordinating Committee. Mr. Hodgson proposed to add the chairman's suggestion to Mr. Honda's motion with his consent, and it was unanimously

VOTED: to instruct the staff and the Deputy Attorney General to confer with the City and County Sewer Department and bring forth the necessary information regarding the Sewerage System at the Honolulu International Airport to the Terminal Planning and Coordinating Committee or to the next regular meeting, whichever happens first.

ADDITIONAL SEATING IN LOBBY, HONOLULU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT: The chairman reported that the matter of additional seating in the lobby at Honolulu International Airport has been accomplished.

<u>DAMON TRACT</u>: The chairman asked the Acting Director about the letter from the City Planning Commission with regard to the Damon Tract Area, a portion of which is within the area proposed for immediate expansion of the airport. The Acting Director stated that the HAC has thirty (30) days from the date of the attached letter (July 11, 1957) to take action on the 69 acres of Damon Tract needed for airport expansion and as authorized by House Joint Resolution 32.

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He stated that the owners of Damon Tract requested to subdivide this land. Mr. Hodgson stated that in the minutes of previous meetings there was a motion to authorize the condemnation of the Damon Tract area for airport expansion. It was moved by Mr. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Bronte, and unanimously

VOTED: to proceed immediately with condemnation proceedings of the Damon Tract area needed for airport expansion and as authorized by House Joint Resolution 32.

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KONA - STANDARD OIL COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR SERVICE STATION: It was moved by Mr. Furtado, seconded by Mr. Pietsch, and unanimously

VOTED: to grant permission to Standard Oil Company to construct and maintain, in good order, one 30-foot asphalt driveway extending from the existing asphalt pavement of the Airport Entrance Road to their property line (in accordance with the sketch enclosed with their letter dated June 19, 1957) near the intersection of Kuakini Highway, Palani Road and the Airport Entrance Road.

GENERAL

PROJECT PRIORITIES: The chairman stated that the recent Legislature under Act 150, created a Territorial Planning Office which is charged with the responsibility of establishing priorities on all projects of the Territory, and called on Mr. George Mason, Acting Director of Territorial Planning, to explain in particular some of the points with regard to the Kona Airport relocation, the Honolulu International Airport and the Lanai Airport.

Mr. Mason stated that under Act 150, Session Laws of Hawaii 1957, the Territorial Planning Office was created and charged with the general physical planning and capital improvements planning and budgeting. He explained that the Territorial Treasurer may sell approximately \$20,000,000 in additional general obligation bonds before the Territory's debt ceiling is reached, and out of some \$71,000,000 in general obligation bond fund projects authorized by prior sessions of the Legislature dating back to 1943, only about \$20,000,000 can be approved by the Governor at this time. Mr. Mason stated that with respect to these two projects (Lanai & Kona Airports) funds are to be expended by the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission and to be reimbursed from the airport fund; these projects are subject to priorities rating and approval of the Governor if HAC is going to use Territorial credit. However, he explained, if you are going to use your own money, it would not come under the Territorial Planning Office and you can independently go ahead with these projects.

The chairman inquired why the monies already applied for by this Commission on previous authorizations and already approved by the Priorities Committee, such as the 4 million dollars for the Honolulu International Airport Terminal, are listed in their letter, to which Mr. Mason answered that the priorities listed in January of this year are going to be restudied in the light of Act 150 and new priorities ratings are going to be set up.

The chairman explained that some of the money already authorized and listed again on the Priorities List is now being spent and this money, as far as we are concerned, has been obligated by this Commission. The chairman explained further that the HAC is already committed to the Federal government and they are matching our funds in this project. He stated that we are now in our fourth year on a 4-year basis under which we receive \$750,000 each year from the Federal government and this would jeopardize the HAC position. Mr. Mason assured the chairman that he was quite certain that the project would not be delayed in any way.

In the matter of the Kona Airport, the chairman stated that this is a very old project. According to Act 150, the Legislature allotted \$265,000 for the relocation and sale of the Kona Airport, however,

because of the safety factor, Kona urgently needs the extension of the runway. Also, as previously mentioned, the CAA will not put the necessary electronics equipment until the location of the airport is decided and completely built. The HAC meanwhile cannot extend the runway due to the recent act passed by the Legislature (Act 150) which mandates them to relocate the airport. The chairman stated that HAC was already in the process of negotiating for the expansion and improvement to the Kona Airport when they were prohibited by an injunction which is still pending against the HAC. Mr. Pietsch made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Kobayashi, and

VOTED: to instruct the Director to make all facts on all projects known to the Territorial Planning Office and to work closely with them, particularly on the \$265,000, Kona Airport Sale and Relocation.

The chairman thanked Mr. Mason for his presence and his explanations and stated that the HAC was quite relieved to know that we may proceed with the project at Honolulu without interruptions.

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KONA INJUNCTION: Mr. Furtado stated that according to a letter dated July 8, 1957, from the Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Richard Sharpless, their office wants to be informed in writing as to whether the Commission has decided to relocate the Kona Airport or not. Mr. Furtado stated that the HAC should inform the Attorney General's Office that we cannot relocate the Kona Airport because of the facts that have been mentioned before (1) the CAA's statement that they will not approve the relocation of the airport until a new one has been completely built (entirely with HAC funds) and ready for operation, the (2) Injunction against HAC by Mr. Lorrin Thurston prohibiting the HAC to extend the runway, (3) the cost, which is around 2 million dollars (as of the last estimate 3 years ago), and also stated that Kona Airport needs immediate attention now for the sake of safety.

Mr. Kobayashi stated that it was not a matter of whether or not to relocate the airport, but to have the staff show the Attorney General reasons why we cannot relocate the airport, and then instruct the Attorney General to dissolve the injunction.

Mr. Edwards felt that perhaps we should make a bona fide effort to advertise to see what offers we may obtain for the sale of the airport and explained that if the HAC did not take that step we may be approached with the question of not having attempted to sell the airport. With this information we may be complying with Act 150 and at the same time avoiding any criticism we may receive if we did not make an honest effort to sell the airport.

Mr. Honda suggested that the Commission hold its next meeting in Kona so that the people in Kona may be heard and to help resolve the situation to the satisfaction of the people of Kona. Mr. Honda made a motion to hold the next regular meeting in Kona. The motion died for lack of a second. It was mentioned that the Commission has already been to Kona three times during the recent past for hearings and meetings with regard to the Kona Airport.

It was moved by Mr. Kobayashi, seconded by Mr. Furtado, and unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Attorney General's Office to proceed immediately with the case against the HAC. "Thurston vs. Sylva, et al," in the Circuit Court, First Judicial Circuit, E. No. 5910, in order to dissolve the Injunction and to notify the Attorney General's Office, at this time, of the impossibility to relocate the Kong Airmont and have the staff innumerate reasons. the Kona Airport and have the staff innumerate reasons why it is impossible.

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by Mr. Furtado, and unanimously

VOTED: to release the architect from the requirement in the proposed Public Works contract requiring the architect to guarantee that the actual costs for the Kahului Control Tower and Vault be within the specified amount.

MOLOKAI

RENTAL RATES: Molokai Airport Terminal - In accordance with the recommendation as submitted by the Acting Director, it was moved by Mr. Furtado, seconded by Mr. Duponte, and unanimously

VOTED: to establish the following rates for space in the new Molokai Airport Terminal:

Passenger Terminal - \$2.00 per square foot per year

Freight Terminal
Cargo space (aeronautical use)
\$0.50 per square
foot per year
Cargo space (non-aeronautical use)
\$0.55 per square
foot per year

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MACKENZIE TRAVEL ORGANIZATION'S REQUEST FOR GROUND TRANSPORTATION LICENSE: It was moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Honda, and unanimously

> VOTED: to accept the application and to grant MacKenzie Travel Organization a license for Ground Transportation at Lihue Airport (in accordance with their request dated June 27, 1957).

GENERAL

COMMENDATION MR. R. M. WALTON: Mr. Edwards stated that Mr. Raymond M. Walton should be commended for his fine work as Acting Director, recognizing the fact that he came into the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission entirely new and unfamiliar with the Commission's procedures and regulations and carried the burden even through one session of the legislature and many other difficult situations which have brought credit to both himself and to the Commission. It was moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Duponte, and unanimously

VOTED: to commend Mr. Raymond M. Walton and to express the Commission's appreciation by suitable letter addressed to him.

RESOLUTION TO GENERAL SORY SMITH: The chairman stated that all of the HAC negotiations with the Air Force prior to General Sory Smith's command moved slowly. After General Smith took over this command, we have had the finest kind of cooperation both from the Air Force and from General Smith personally. A short time ago when HAC found it necessary to send someone to Washington, D. C., to try to expedite the introduction of the HAC bills in connection with the revenue bonds, General Smith's top men in Washington helped us with the negotiations. The chairman suggested that we enter into our records our appreciation for their fine cooperation.

Mr. Pietsch stated that we compose an appropriate resolution (to be drawn up by the staff) to send to General Smith and his staff.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Hawaii Aeronautics Commission

Present: Dr. Francis K. Sylva, Chairman

Mr. Dorsey W. Edwards, Vice Chairman (Kauai)

Mr. Ralph C. Honda, Secretary

Mr. David Furtado, Vice Secretary (Hawaii)

Mr. George Kobayashi, Member Mr. Joseph V. Hodgson, Member

Mr. Charles J. Pietsch, Jr., Member

Mr. Emory B. Bronte, Member

Mr. Lionel V. Duponte, Member (Maui)

In Attendance:

Mr. R. M. Walton, Acting Director of Aeronautics Mr. Daniel P. McGregor, Jr., Hawaii Wing, Civil

Air Patrol

Mr. Jack Schreibman, Honolulu Star-Bulletin

Mr. Lee Maice, Civil Air Patrol & Hawaii Housing Authority

Mr. J. D. Hartup, Standard Oil

Mr. Roy J. Leffingwell, Honolulu Chamber of Commerce,

Aeronautics Affairs Committee

Mr. W. T. Waterhouse, Murrayair, Ltd.

Mr. Jack C. Tobin, Hawaiian Airlines, Ltd.

Mr. D. L. Grubb, Hawaiian Airlines, Ltd.

Mr. W. G. Carson, United Air Lines

Mr. Dick Faris, Hawaiian Airlines, Ltd.

Mr. George Mason, Acting Director of Territorial Planning, Territory of Hawaii

Mr. A. P. Storrs, HAC

Mr. M. E. Martin, HAC

Mr. K. Akita, HAC

Mr. B. T. Wat, HAC

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph C. Honda, Secretary