



AGENDA REPORT
SAN CLEMENTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
 Meeting Date: July 3, 2012

Agenda Item 11 D(1)
 Approvals: [Signature]
 City Manager _____
 Dept. Head _____
 Attorney _____
 Finance _____

Department: City Manager

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Subject: Transfer of Ontario International Airport to Local Control

Summary: The City of Ontario is working on a campaign to regain local control of the Ontario International Airport (ONT) from the City of Los Angeles and is seeking support for their efforts throughout all of Southern California. Mayor Pro Tem Brown has requested the City Council consider action on this item.

Under local control, the City of Ontario believes that ONT can make a greater contribution to meeting the long-term demand for air service in Southern California while reducing freeway traffic and associated automotive emissions. The City of Ontario has indicated that in the past it made sense for Los Angeles to be involved in the management and operations of ONT. The City of Ontario now supports regaining local control as a result of changing circumstances in the airline industry and the Southern California market, which dictate that local control of ONT is in the best interests of the entire region, including Los Angeles.

The City of Ontario has stated that local control of airports in Southern California has been shown to be better conducive to development of successful regional airports because the airport sponsor has a vested interest in the airport making the greatest contribution to its economy. Under local control, ONT will operate on the same basis as other secondary airports in the region (Burbank, Orange County, Long Beach and Palm Springs).

Recommended Action: Council discretion.

Fiscal Impact: None

Attachments: Resolution

Notification: Mayor Paul S. Leon, City of Ontario
 Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, City of Los Angeles
 Michael P. Huerta, Acting Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration
 Chris Hughes, City Manager, City of Ontario

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SAN CLEMENTE IN SUPPORT OF THE TRANSFER OF ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ONT) TO LOCAL CONTROL

WHEREAS, local control of airports in Southern California has been shown to be conducive to development of successful regional airports because the airport sponsor has a vested interest in the airport making the greatest contribution to its economy; and

WHEREAS, local control of ONT will help ensure that all of Southern California will have sufficient airport capacity to meet the long-term demand for air travel in the region; and

WHEREAS, on January 7, 2011, the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation called on Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) to shift control of ONT – as well as the responsibility and risk that comes with that control – to another entity so LAWA can focus more of its energy on modernizing Los Angeles International Airport; and

WHEREAS, on November 29, 2010, the Alliance for a Regional Solution to Airport Congestion (ARSAC) urged the Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners to transfer ONT airport management decisions to the local Ontario area in pursuit of a regional airport system that can better address ONT patronage decline and regional service demands; and

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2010, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Council enacted a resolution recommending the transfer of ONT to local control as being in the best interests of Los Angeles and the Southern California region. SCAG further stated that under local control, ONT can recover from the economic downturn of the past several years while positioning itself for long-term growth, consistent with the reorganization of air traffic contemplated in SCAG's Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, after transfer to local control, ONT can operate on the same basis as airports in Burbank, Orange County, Long Beach and Palm Springs as low-cost secondary airports under local control; and.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of San Clemente **DOES HEREBY SUPPORT** the transfer of ONT to local control in furtherance of airport regionalization and the region's economy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council requests the cities of Los Angeles and Ontario commit the necessary resources and efforts to affect the transfer of ONT to local control at the earliest possible date.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, _____.

ATTEST:

City Clerk of the City of
San Clemente, California

Mayor of the City of
San Clemente, California

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) §
CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE)

I, JOANNE BAADE, City Clerk of the City of San Clemente, California, do hereby certify that Resolution No. _____ was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente held on the _____ day of _____, _____, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of San Clemente, California, this ____ day of _____, _____.

CITY CLERK of the City of
San Clemente, California

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

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