

Seaside Municipal Airport Committee

Introduction for new members

Welcome to the Seaside Airport Advisory Committee!

The committee currently meets every other month (January, March, May, July, September, November) on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:00 P.M. During the warm weather months, meetings are typically held at the airport, and at Seaside City Hall (council chambers) the rest of the time. Zoom meeting options are also provided for some meetings as circumstances dictate. Please mark the dates on your calendar; materials are sent out a few days to a week prior to meetings. If you will not be able to attend a particular meeting, let the chairperson know as soon as possible.

Per the city's ordinance, the purpose of the committee is to *act as an advisory body to the City Council, the City Manager, and the Public Works Director/City Engineer regarding issues concerning the Seaside Public Airport*. In practice, the committee addresses a wide range of topics, including:

- Planning for infrastructure and improvements
- Researching and understanding grant opportunities to pay for said improvements
- Helping to ensure the city and users remain in compliance with FAA standards and grant obligations
- Providing aviation-specific knowledge and expertise to airport management
- Addressing community concerns
- Ensuring a safe environment is maintained for aviation operations
- Supplementing the city's resources, for example maintenance of airport grounds
- Exploring opportunities to promote the airport to the flying public
- Facilitating development of airport services
- Connecting with the local business community

... among other things.

Members with aviation backgrounds can be expected to bring their aviation-specific expertise to the committee, but each of us also has our own unique set of skills and knowledge that can potentially be leveraged for the benefit of the airport and the city. For example, members with connections in the business community can help the committee think about how the airport can better serve as an engine for the local economy and what steps can be taken to make that happen.

Previous meetings' minutes and support materials can be found at <https://www.seasideairport.org/administration>, and all airport committee members should have at least a passing familiarity with these materials, including past minutes for at least a couple of years. Additionally, any efforts on the part of members to develop their expertise on airport operations and standards is beneficial to the committee. There is a wealth of information available on the internet, starting with FAA's website <https://www.faa.gov> and general aviation industry websites such as <https://www.aopa.org> and <https://www.eaa.org>.