



Greater Toronto Airports Authority

Consultative Committee

Wednesday February 8, 2006 – *Minutes*

ATTENDANCE:

Members

Steve Shaw (<i>Chair</i>)	GTAA, Vice President Corporate Affairs
Doug Thwaites	City of Brampton Resident
Suresh Thakrar	City of Mississauga Resident
Martin Ross	City of Toronto Resident
Councillor Sandra Hames	City of Brampton
Councillor Maja Prentice	City of Mississauga
Councillor Suzan Hall	City of Toronto
Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong	City of Toronto
Bill Clark	Brampton Board of Trade
John Wouters	Mississauga Board of Trade
Mike Lauber	Toronto Board of Trade
Heather Craig Peddie	ACTA – Consumer Representative
Richard Cockfield	Halton Region
Tom AppaRao	Peel Region
Paul May	York Region

Absent

Patrick Olive	Durham Region
Vacant	Brampton/Mississauga District Labour Council

Resource Members

Garry MacDonald & John Urban	NAV Canada
Larry Petovello	City of Mississauga
Dennis Cutajar & Jeff Baines	City of Brampton
Lucy Butts	Transport Canada
Pam Laite	Tourism Toronto

Also Present

Howard Bohan	GTAA	Phin Chai-Stundzia	Province of Ontario
Chris Clay	Mississauga News	Josh Colle	GTAA
John Kaldeway	GTAA	Brian Lackey	GTAA
Madeleine Lim	GTAA	Lorrie McKee	GTAA
Jason Ritchie	GTAA	Scott Smith	GTAA

DISTRIBUTION:

Mayors & Regional Chairs:	Brampton, Mississauga, Toronto, Durham, Halton, Peel, & York
Other Interested Parties:	On request

NEXT MEETING:

MAY 17, 2006 AT 4:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

GTAA Administration Building, 3111 Convaire Drive

CONTACT:

Josh Colle: (416) 776-4579 (tel) / (416) 776-7593 (fax)

1. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

1.1 Welcome and Roll Call

Steve Shaw welcomed all present. And Josh Colle conducted the roll call

Mr. Shaw also recognized new committee members including Paul May from York Region, Rick Cockfield from Halton Region, Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong from the City of Toronto, and John Wouters from the Mississauga Board of Trade.

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Members approved the agenda as presented

1.3 Review of December 6, 2005 Record of Meeting

1.4 Review of May 10, 2005 Record of Meeting

1.5 Review of February 8, 2005 Record of Meeting

Members reviewed and received the outstanding records of meeting

1.6 Review of December 14, 2004 Minutes

Members adopted the December 14, 2004 minutes

1.7 Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

Steve Shaw reviewed outstanding items from previous meetings:

December 6, 2005.

- At the request of committee members, copies of the December 6th presentations were attached to the December 6th record of meeting. Minister Cansfield's notes from the cogeneration plant opening were also attached to the minutes as requested.
- Councillor Prentice requested that all members, including those absent from meetings, be listed in the minutes. Minutes have been revised and now list all members who were present and absent.

2. REGULAR ITEMS

2.1 Consultative Committee Update

Attached to the agenda and includes updates on: airport traffic statistics, work of the NMC, the new Consultative Committee on Taxicab & Limousines, the redevelopment plans for the commercial vehicle holding area, highlights of the Airport Development Program, and the new provincial anti-scooper legislation.

2.2 Traffic Statistics

Total passenger traffic levels in November increased by 0.6% overall, with international traffic growing by 7.7%. For the year-to-date, the international growth rate at 8.5% exceeds both transborder (+5.3%) and domestic (+2.8%). Year-to-date aircraft movements are 1.9% higher than 2004 despite the shut down of Jetsgo in March. Additional monthly statistics are attached.

Mike Lauber requested year-to-date passenger statistics, which Steve Shaw indicated could be provided. Suresh Thakrar inquired about the possibility of including statistics on passengers' ultimate destinations. Mr. Shaw suggested the GTAA would look into the possibility of providing this type of information.

2.3 Complaint Statistics

Complaint Statistics, including the Runway Utilization Summary was included with the agenda.

3. GTAA UPDATE

3.1 President's Update

GTAA President and Chief Executive Office John Kaldeway provided committee members with an overview of the strategic direction of the GTAA and Toronto Pearson in 2006 and answered members' questions.

Mr. Kaldeway thanked the CC for allowing him this information sharing opportunity and indicated that the GTAA is working on a number fronts to improve Toronto Pearson. Much of this focus is on enhancing customer service and the many challenges that accompany building a new airport on top of an existing operating facility.

The GTAA continues to promote Toronto Pearson as an international hub and now has the infrastructure in place to take full advantage of this opportunity. Toronto Pearson is focused on attracting international connecting passengers. Toronto is ideally situated for this market and expanded, more liberal air services policies would be a huge advantage for the Toronto market.

Mr. Kaldeway advised the committee that the GTAA will continue to contain costs, which included continuing to seek rent relief from the federal government. It is essential to strike the right balance between cost containment and good customer service. It was also noted that the GTAA is working hard to increase non-aeronautical revenues. The GTAA also continues to pursue opportunities for cargo growth.

With the Board of Directors, the GTAA is also working on strategic planning initiatives and continue to strive towards the goal of being the North American airport of choice.

3.2 Non-aeronautical revenues

Steve Shaw outlined the GTAA's cost recovery model and Howard Bohan, the GTAA's Director of Properties and Concessions gave the committee a presentation on the authority's strategy for increasing non-aeronautical revenues.

CC members discussed how Toronto Pearson compared to other international airports and a variety of potential non-aeronautical revenue generating opportunities were reviewed.

A copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes as **Item # 1**.

3.3 Economic Development Study Terms of Reference

Steve Shaw provided a summary of the progress of the Economic Development Study.

In consultation with Economic Development representatives from the cities of Brampton, Mississauga, and Toronto, the Terms of Reference have been established. An RFP based on these terms will be issued shortly and the economic development sub-committee will review submissions once they have come in, interview firms, and make a recommendation.

The GTAA is also in the process of updating economic impact numbers through another study, and committee members will be updated on the progress of this study as in due course.

4. COMMUNITY UPDATE

4.1 Voting Members Update

Mike Lauber noted that Porter Air is planning to operate out of the Toronto City Centre Airport (TCCA) and be a complimentary facility to Toronto Pearson.

Councillor Suzan Hall noted that Toronto City Council recently passed a motion calling for Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) paid by Toronto Pearson to the City of Toronto to be based on Current Value Assessment. Mike Lauber indicated that the Toronto Board of Trade would oppose such a move and questioned the logic behind calling for rent relief, while trying to increase PILT paid by the airport. Councillor Hall also suggested that the GTAA consider constructing rest areas for travellers.

Doug Thwaites noted that the rail connections to Toronto Pearson are lacking and that the airport must connect to areas to the west by rail. Steve Shaw echoed his concerns and stressed the need for good transit links.

Councillor Denzil Minnan Wong suggested that revenue generation should not drive decision making and that areas at the curb should be provided for the greeters to wait in their vehicles for arriving passengers on a cost-recovery basis.

Paul May indicated that he has replaced Kees Schipper as York Region's representative. Richard Cockfield advised that he has replaced Karen Maxwell as the Halton representative. He advised that Halton Region is implementing a comprehensive economic development strategy.

Tom AppaRao promoted the Peel Smart Commute programs and informed members that the Peel Liveable Cities Conference will be held on Friday, February 10, 2006, featuring several Provincial ministers and Steve Shaw from the GTAA highlighting the airport.

Heather Craig Peddie outlined some of the initiatives of the Association of Canadian Travel Agencies (ACTA), including a call for transparency in airfare advertising, and support for an air travel complaints commissioner.

Bill Clark reiterated the Brampton Board of Trade's support for a new airport rent deal for Toronto Pearson and Mike Lauber added that the Toronto Board of Trade will also continue to support this campaign.

4.2 Technical Members Update

Lucy Butts noted that Transport Canada is still waiting on any potential changes that may come with a new government and new Transport Minister.

Dennis Cutajar noted that the City of Brampton will soon have economic data that they would be happy to share with the committee and feed into the GTAA's studies.

Larry Petovello noted that the City of Mississauga is currently working on a study of the aerospace sector and plan to host a conference.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 New Committee Members

Correspondence recognizing new CC members was included on the agenda for committee members' reference.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

The next GTAA CC Meeting will be held at 4:00pm on Wednesday May 17, 2006.