

JET NOISE COMMISSION
Tuesday, April 25, 2023
5:00 PM - Regular Meeting
Minutes



City of Huntington Beach
2000 Main Street, Lower Level,
Room B7

Council Liaisons
TONY STRICKLAND, Mayor
CASEY McKEON, Council Member

DAVE PORTER, Chair
PHIL BURTIS, Vice Chair
MICHAEL BOURGEAULT, Commissioner
JEFF MORIN, Commissioner
MARIO TABERNIG, Commissioner
KEITH BOHR, Commissioner
CHRIS KUNZE, Commissioner

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Porter, Burtis, Bohr, Bourgeault, Kunze, Morin

Absent: Tabernig

Staff: Hopkins

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes Approved from February 28, 2023 Jet Noise Commission meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Board, Committee, Commission One-Day Citizens Academy
 - a. May 19 at 7:30 am - 4:30 pm City Council Chambers
2. Updates:
 - a. Air Traffic Report

Commissioner Burtis provided the Air Traffic Report. The report shared that more passengers every day this year than last year. More air travelers than 2019, pre-pandemic. Arrival and departure flights showed increases in March for Los Angeles Airport (LAX) and Santa Ana (SNA). The commission discussed the potential reasons for the March increases.

Burtis noted that it appeared there were no LGB arrivals on two days over Huntington Beach as usual. After review, it was discovered that on Tuesdays and Wednesday from April 18 to May 24 runway 30 (the main runway) is closed due to upgrades to the runway lighting. Thus, a different approach path to utilize runway 12 was in place which skirts the normal arrival patterns.

Commissioner Burtis also provided data on the noise complaints by year. The complaints increased after next Gen and more increased from within Huntington Beach. Complaints originating Huntington Beach were 66% of the complaints. The data on the number of people who provided the complaints has decreased over the last few months.

Commissioner Kunze provided an update about the FAA shortage of air traffic control staff. There is a note on the FAA site that provides information stating this. He also noted that at LGB there are 58 available slots for commercial jets with 48 currently being used.

On the City website the last report is 2021. The Commission requested to update the website with the 2022 and 2023 reports.

b. Airlines and Long Beach Airport Update

Long Beach Airport (LGB) has responded that they are open to continue to work with the JNC on the concerns of the noise impacts. They will work to identify a chief pilot representative for South West Airlines (SWA). When this was discussed, they requested some time due to the recent flight impacts and would re-engage in a couple of months.

3. Strategy and Goals for the Jet Noise Commission for upcoming year

The Commission discussed the proposed structure and strategy to meet the goals of the JNC for upcoming year. Items accomplished over the past years included the joint effort with SWA to increase the approach elevations over 60 percent of the time. The committee agrees the improvement was from the instruction to SWA pilots to request a higher elevation during their approach.

Annual Plan update discussion recommended that the Commission do the following: Acknowledge that the Commission has made a difference. The Commission discussed the importance of continued monitoring of FAA actions and future metroplex changes and be present when the changes come to the community. There were discussions of reaching out to other cities to see if the Jet Noise committee. Suggest update the report with the success that we have had. Discussed holding quarterly meetings to track data and monitor data, Long Beach Airport, and FAA changes.

A motion was made and seconded to place the JNC action plan on the next agenda to discuss potential changes with the Council Liaisons. The changes include the following discussion topics:

- Consider adjusting to quarterly JNC meetings:
 - (proposed) - January (elections), April, July, and October**
- Continue to track commercial traffic and provide quarterly reports to the JNC for review.*
- Request regular meetings with LGB on a quarterly basis to occur prior to the JNC meetings. Such meeting ideally the week before the Commission meeting so we have the latest information.*
- Continue to develop and maintain relationships with the airlines that service LGB.*
- Continue to monitor actions of the FAA to ensure the JNC is aware and can review*

and respond to any upcoming actions that impact the City of Huntington Beach residents.

- *Consider reaching out to other Cities to determine if they have a shared concern with commercial airlines impacts.*

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 6:17 pm

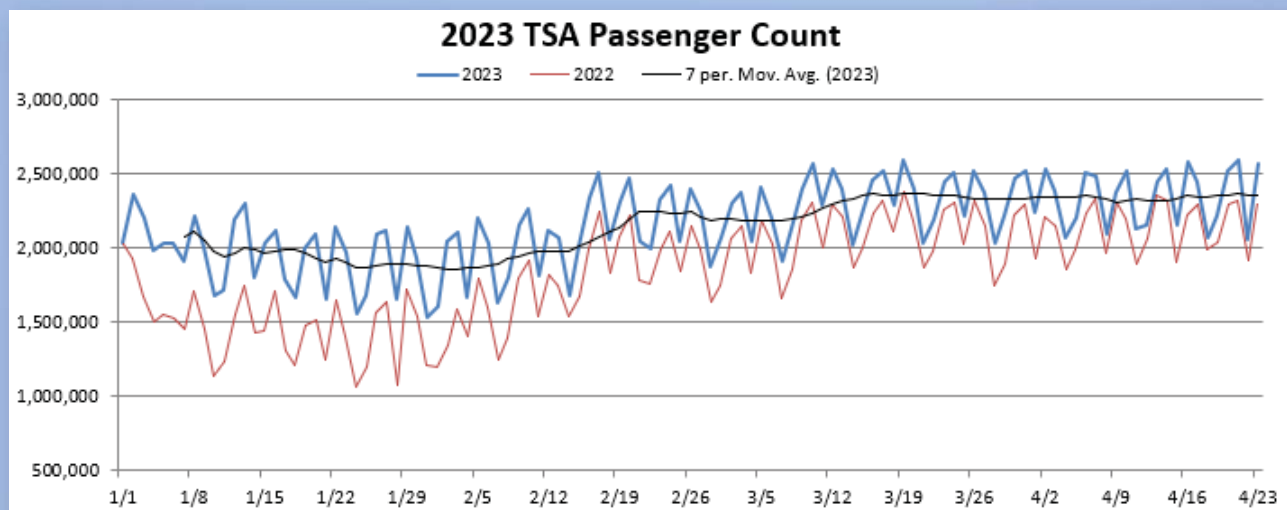
The next regularly scheduled meeting of the JET NOISE COMMISSION is MAY 23, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in Conference Room B-7.

April 2023 JNC Update

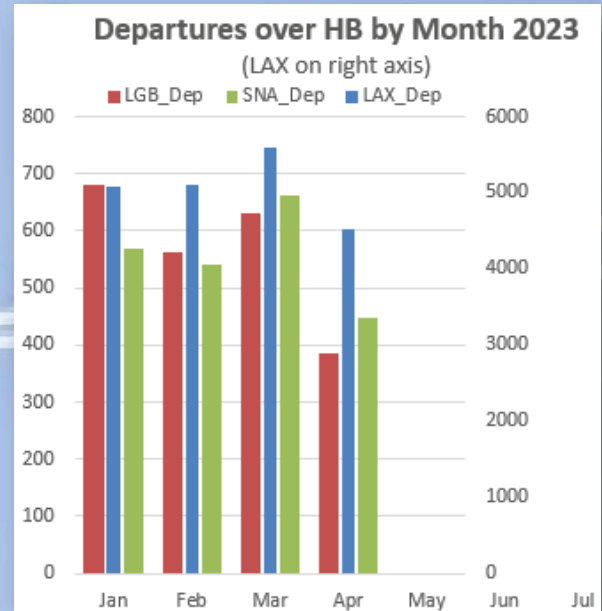
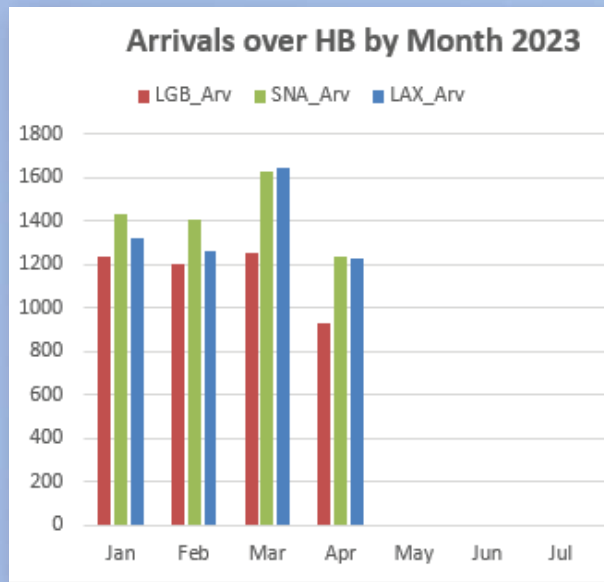
- TSA Update
- HB Update
- LGB Update

TSA Passenger Count YTD 2023

- ❖ 2023 exceeds 2022 count every day so far
- ❖ 2023 exceeds 95% of 2019 count over 85% of the time since March 1st



Flights over HB by Month



LGB Update

- ✓ Runway 12-30 will be **CLOSED DAILY**, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from April 18 to May 24.



JNC Charter

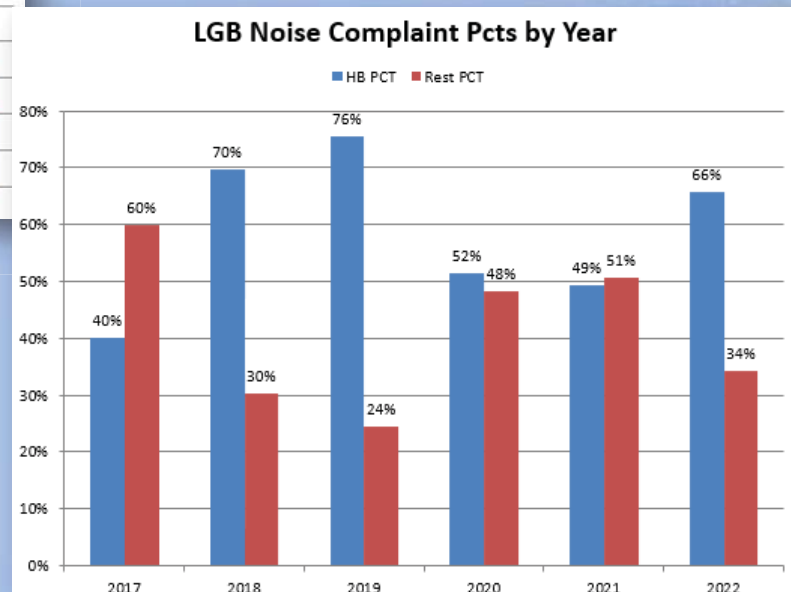
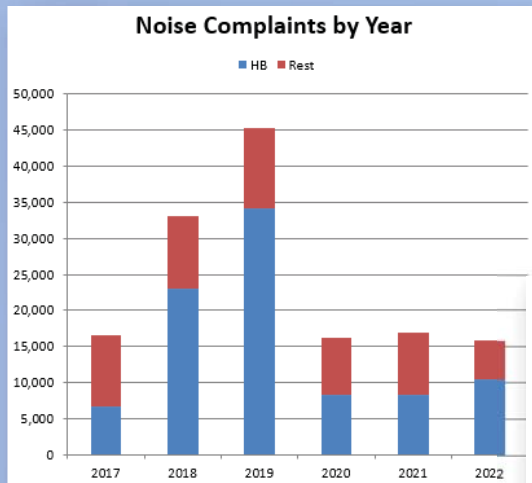
2.104.020 Purpose

- A. To continually monitor issues related to jet noise from commercial aviation traffic flying over the City.
- B. To act as an advisory body to the City Council on matters pertaining to jet noise from commercial aviation traffic flying over the City of Huntington Beach.
- C. To engage with neighboring cities, regulatory bodies, airlines, and staff regarding the impact of air traffic activities on the quality of life in Huntington Beach.

2.104.050 Authority and Responsibilities

- A. To study, interpret, and report to City Council on commercial aviation activities related to the City

LGB Noise Complaints



LGB Noise Complainers from HB 2020

