## Glide Slope Analysis

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Residents have experienced increases in commercial jet noise due to the FAA modernization program – Next Gen.

City Council approved the formation of an Air Traffic Noise Working Group in January 2018. The group met monthly and held a Town Hall Meeting with over 200 attendees.

City Council then created a Jet Noise Commission in November 2019.

## Background

- City began meeting with the Long Beach Airport in 2017
- Conversations began with two airlines in 2018
- Long Beach Airport staff have indicated that the FAA is open to altering the approach into the Long Beach Airport.
- To do this the City would need to hire a consultant to prepare a Glide Slope Analysis.

## What is a Glide Slope Analysis?

- Technically speaking the Glide Slope is the proper path for an aircraft preparing to land.
- Aircraft arrive into airports using a flight path that is on a 3-degree glide slope while applying minimal power to the engines.
- The City would like aircraft arriving into the Long Beach Airport to remain on a 3-degree glide slope, which would maintain aircraft at higher altitudes over the City – and could reduce aircraft noise by perceivable levels.





