

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AIRPORT ACTIVITIES

September 2, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Chairman E. Sapienza called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen E. Sapienza, Kantor, Vincent, Burkush

Absent: Alderman Terrio

Messrs.: T. Malafronte

1. Communication from Thomas Malafronte, Aviation Director, requesting approval of an update to the Airport Carbon Accreditation Policy.

Thomas Malafronte, Aviation Director: So, this should be pretty straightforward. The board previously approved an airport carbon accreditation policy statement, which went to the Airports Council International, the governing board that approves airport carbon accreditation programs. The ACI subsequently returned the policy statement because they said it lacked a commitment to what we were going to do in the future. So, we simply added to the policy statement that was previously approved by the full Board of Mayor and Aldermen and this committee, one sentence, which basically says, and that's at the end of the previously approved statement, "we commit to further demonstrate our dedication to reducing our carbon footprint by maintaining our carbon accreditation efforts". It's a simple sentence, but basically what it means is this isn't one and done. We don't get an airport carbon accreditation level of one approval and finish. We have recurring things that we need to do in terms of quantifying measuring emissions, best practices, phasing out older equipment, moving to more energy efficient equipment. We have a history of doing that with solar panels and shifting to gas when we can get rid of oil and older equipment when we can. So, it's basically just emphasizing the fact that once this policy is approved and we're going to have to resubmit it for approval, we'll continue to focus on our accreditation efforts. We did proactively send this to ACI and said, if we send you this one additional sentence, is that sufficient? And they said yes.

*On motion of **Alderman Burkush**, duly seconded by **Alderman Vincent**, it was voted to approve.*

*There being no further business, on motion of **Alderman Burkush**, duly seconded by **Alderman Vincent**, it was voted to adjourn.*

A True Record. Attest.



Clerk of Committee

Meeting Start Time: 5:30PM

Meeting End Time: 5:32PM

Minutes Prepared By: Michael Intranuovo