

CITY OF REDLANDS

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

JASON GOLEMBESKI, CHAIR
VAL DOTCHKOV, BOARD MEMBER

AMBER HARRISON, VICE CHAIR
AUSTIN CRANE, BOARD MEMBER

The following information comprises the minutes for a regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission which was held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2026, in the City Council Chambers, 35 Cajon Street, Suite #2.

1. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Attendance.

A. Present: JASON GOLEMBESKI, BOARD CHAIR, AMBER HARRISON, VICE CHAIR; VAL DOTCHKOV, BOARD MEMBER; AUTIN CRANE, BOARD MEMBER

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cindy Gablin of the Redlands Airport Association announced the upcoming Spring Fling, scheduled for the following Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with hamburgers, hot dogs, a fly-in, and a historical display day. She noted the event was posted on the RAA website and social media.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. *The minutes of the January 15, 2026, meeting was approved unanimously.*

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Reports from Staff:

I. Operations and Administration

Ted reported that a new operations tracking box had been installed, but a recent power outage caused about four days of missing data in the operations report. He noted landings and takeoffs differed by 155 and said he would investigate the cause. The reporting period covered the time from the last meeting to the current meeting.

II. Maintenance

Maintenance updates included replacement of all signs, week abatement, wind cone preventative maintenance, and scheduled beacon maintenance. Staff also addressed illegal dumping, graffiti, hangar door maintenance, turbine vent replacements, and a need for a four-yard waste bin. A high-definition TV donated by the Redlands Airport Association was installed for weather and pilot use, and work continued replacing another TV mount and improving internet connectivity.

III. Land Use Development

Nothing to report.

IV. Grants

The wildlife hazard management plan had been delayed by the FAA, and a one-year grant extension has been submitted. The AWOS replacement project for FY27 was

moving forward, with a proposed location on the west ramp in the southwest corner. An airfield pavement project was scheduled to go to City Council in June, with phased construction and temporary taxiway impacts expected. NOTAMs would be issued as needed.

B. Board Member SME Group Reports:

I. Business (Golembeski, Dotchkov)

There was a question about rental income and the Coyote site. Airport Manager Richardson said historical revenue information was not available tonight but could be provided later. The legal matter was not on the agenda, so it was discussed in depth.

II. Regulatory (Harrison)

Board Member Harrison reported that an FCC proceeding may require replacement of radio altimeters on aircraft operating in the United States because of spectrum reallocation. Estimated costs were described as up to 120,000 per unit, with discussions ongoing about compensation. A coalition of aviation stakeholders has been working toward a full implementation timeline of 2031, with priority for airlines and emergency staff.

III. Liaison to REI Airfield Organization (Vacant)

No report.

IV. Technology (Golembeski, Dotchkov)

No report.

V. Safety (Vacant)

No report.

6. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

7. NEW BUSINESS

No new business discussed.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion and possible action regarding the annual report to the City Council.

9. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- A. Staff will follow up and report on the landings/takeoff's discrepancy.
- B. Staff to provide historical revenue information related to the Coyote site.
- C. Staff to continue working with the FAA on the wildlife hazard assessment and management plan.
- D. Staff to continue planning for the AWOS replacement and airfield payment project.
- E. Staff to issues NOTAMs and broker NOTAMS as construction requires.

ADJOURNMENT at 6:03 PM to a REGULAR MEETING on Thursday, September 16, 2026, at 6:0 P.M.