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DALLAS LOVE FIELD
AIRPORT IMPACT ANALYSIS/MASTER PLAN

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1 MR. GWYN: Good evening. My name is
2 Kenneth Gwyn, and I'm the director of aviation for the
3 City of Dallas. And really on behalf of the staff and
4 the consultants, we really want to welcome you here to
5 a very important public meeting where we bring to you
6 information of work that has culminated in the last,
7 oh, 10 months. And this program really is designed to
8 give you a briefing on what is going before the City
9 Council relative to the Airport Impact Analysis and
10 Master Plan for Dallas Love Field.

11 There's a lot of work that has gone into
12 this effort and a lot of the work has been performed by
13 a group of individuals who spent a lot of time and
14 effort over the last 10 months in bringing issues to
15 the committee and bringing issues to the staff and the
16 consultants and working with us to resolve that. Those
17 members are what we affectionately call the Master Plan
18 Advisory Committee, the impact, and I would like those
19 members to stand so you can recognize them and see
20 who's been working very closely with you in development
21 of this plan. Members, would you please stand?

22 (Audience applauds.)

23 MR. GWYN: Really, without the work of
24 them and their dedication, this plan really would not
25 have come together. I'd like to ask Alva Baker to come

1 forth to go over a couple of housekeeping matters
2 relative to translation and the like, and then we'll
3 get to the meat of the presentation.

4 MS. BAKER: Good evening. I just have a
5 couple of quick comments for you. First of all, I want
6 to assure that everybody signed in when they came in.
7 If they did not, please, as part of our official
8 record, please be sure to sign in. And we also have
9 available for you comment cards, if you would like to
10 write comments for us. And now I'd like to ask Anna to
11 come up and make an additional announcement.

12 MS. LOZOYA: (In Spanish.)

13 MR. GWYN: Great. Thank you very much.
14 We have a little Power Point presentation we'd like to
15 go through with you. Again, this will be the
16 information that will be presented to the Dallas City
17 Council next week and will be the basis of their
18 decision making and discussion. So just have a little
19 Power Point presentation to go over tonight. First of
20 all, here's the purpose of why we're here, to review
21 the plan and present a comprehensive development plan
22 for the airport.

23 One of the things that we'll be
24 discussing also is we're going over in summary form the
25 environmental work that has been done on this project

1 as well as review the public participation process, the
2 Master Plan process itself. And what we've been doing
3 for the last 10 months is really outlined on this slide
4 here.

5 We looked at demand for the airport, the
6 capacity for the airport, evaluated the number of
7 development scenarios and conducted some environmental
8 analysis. A lot of analyses have been brought to you
9 in previous public meetings that we've had and this
10 will really briefly summarize those environmental
11 aspects.

12 We've talked about the Master Plan
13 Advisory Committee, and those are the number of
14 meetings and workshops that we've conducted along this
15 process. I believe we've had approximately ten impact
16 meetings and seven or eight public information meetings
17 as well as a number of other efforts to keep in touch
18 with you, the community and the public, about this
19 process.

20 Again, this is a chart that pretty much
21 outlines the history and the evolution of airline and
22 general aviation activity since 1998. And 1998 is
23 significant because that's when some additional airline
24 activity and some additional work had occurred on the
25 airport. And then you have the 2010 forecast, which is

1 the basis, really, for the -- at the heart of this
2 study, the 2010, what will be occurring relative to
3 airline operations and general aviation operations in
4 the year 2010.

5 There were a number of assumptions that
6 went into the development of this plan. Some are
7 obvious; others are very important. Wright-Shelby
8 Amendment remains in place, nothing changes there.
9 There are certain limitations relative to airspace and
10 relative to the runways, honoring that commitment that
11 the airport would not expand beyond the boundaries that
12 we have today and then unconstrained growth will result
13 in delay.

14 Delay meaning the basis of this report is
15 that what level of service will bring us an
16 unacceptable delay, average of seven minutes average
17 annual delay. This Master Plan assumes that this
18 unacceptable delay obviously is not acceptable and
19 everything is based upon that.

20 There's been a lot of discussion about
21 the gate requirements, what is the gate requirements
22 necessary to achieve an acceptable level of service
23 given that delay being less than seven minutes? There
24 are your annual air carrier operations of 183,000.
25 That translates into daily air carrier operations of

1 500.

2 If you use an acceptable gate utilization
3 rate, the bottom-line number of what we've been talking
4 about and what that this Master Plan has concluded is
5 that, given that scenario, 32 airline gates would be
6 required to achieve that level of operation, both on an
7 annual basis and on a daily basis for air carriers.

8 One of the key important factors for the
9 community and has been subject to a lot of discussions
10 here in public meetings were key environmental issues,
11 those listed on the slide there. Let's first look at
12 aircraft noise. The impact, as well as the -- a lot of
13 the meetings relative to the community have been geared
14 toward aircraft noise.

15 This is some of the work that has been
16 done relative to looking at and analyzing the impact of
17 noise. We did some noise modeling. We carried out
18 what would noise look like given a 2010 scenario or
19 that scenario of 500 daily aircraft operations. All of
20 this was done utilizing our noise monitoring system
21 that is already in existence at the airport.

22 We did some additional work, looked at
23 the -- evaluated the population that will be impacted
24 by the noise contours, and we did a peak-hour analysis
25 which evaluated single event and time above specific

1 sound levels. The results of the noise analysis is
2 really up here on the slide. And after we boiled them
3 down -- although a lot of data -- a lot of work was
4 done in this area, we boiled them down to certain
5 summary conclusions.

6 First of all, population impacted greater
7 than 65 LDN or DNL is decreased slightly. Again, this
8 is information we brought in previous studies. This
9 reduction is due, in large part, to new and quieter
10 aircraft being used. And the population impacted by
11 the greater than 65 LDN is projected to decrease by
12 over 4000 by the year 2010.

13 In terms of air quality analysis, it's
14 based on the fact that the Dallas region is in a
15 nonattainment for ozone. Those are some of the
16 emissions inventoried and chemicals that we looked at
17 or pollutants that we looked at. And in terms of the
18 sources of those pollutants, at the heart of the study
19 was aircraft, ground service equipment and cars and
20 vehicles produced on the roadway by the activity today
21 and the increased activity relative to 2010.

22 In summarizing the air quality analysis,
23 these are the key points there. Emissions from
24 vehicles are projected to decrease over time, even with
25 the increased activities. One of the steps that the

1 airport has taken is a commitment on the part of the
2 airport to work with the air carriers to electrify
3 ground service equipment, which is a major contributor
4 to pollutants. We will have an agreement to reduce
5 those over time.

6 Airport-related emissions, in light of
7 Dallas County region accounts for only or less than 1
8 percent of the total of emissions county-wide, again,
9 that's generated by the airport, and we've had this
10 reviewed by the TNRCC, Texas Natural Resource
11 Conservation Agency.

12 Again, another analysis -- and, again,
13 we're going over the high points in summary of a lot of
14 the environmental analyses. We conducted a vehicular
15 traffic analysis. We looked at the level of service
16 for twelve key intersections in the City of Dallas
17 around the airport. We revised a number of plans and
18 looked at a number of plans at the City of Dallas that
19 is already on the books, funded and will take place.
20 We had evaluated that traffic and those improvements in
21 light of the growth of what we have been projecting,
22 and we determined airport-related traffic impacts.

23 One of the conclusions from vehicle
24 traffic results, the city roadway improvements that are
25 already planned will maintain or improve the level of

1 service at these intersections. Cedar Springs and
2 Mockingbird, however, as the airport increases or
3 airport traffic increases, improvements will be
4 required at Cedar Springs and Mockingbird. However, at
5 the 32-gate scenario, the growth that has been
6 projected and accounted for in this report results in a
7 minimal additional airport-related traffic at the key
8 intersections.

9 It's important to note here also that
10 although this is a conclusion today, one of the key
11 points in this study is we will continue -- the City of
12 Dallas will continue to monitor and take steps to
13 minimize the impact of traffic within the neighborhoods
14 and the communities. So this is a commitment that is
15 on the part of staff as it relates to continued
16 operations at Love Field.

17 In terms of economic impact, those really
18 are the significant key points of the economic
19 analysis, economic impact accounts for 3.4 going to 4.4
20 billion by 2010. By 2010, the 32-gate scenario will
21 maximize opportunity of an additional \$1 million in
22 economic benefit. Residential property value is listed
23 there for within the 55 DNL increasing -- providing an
24 annual tax revenue of a \$100 million.

25 These are some analyses that we did

1 relative to real estate values between 1997 and 2000,
2 and the results are there: Increase in sales price,
3 increase on market duration and increase in total
4 sales. In terms of the economic analysis, no apparent
5 economic -- negative economic impact on the surrounding
6 property values and the community.

7 So, in conclusion, the 32-gate
8 development concept results in no known significant
9 environmental consequences. However, again, as I
10 stated earlier, this is what is known today -- the
11 conclusion that can be drawn today. But there's an
12 agreement that additional analysis or noise and traffic
13 as well as air will continue, and the airport will
14 continue to monitor this and monitor the results of
15 this plan.

16 As I stated earlier, we've agreed to take
17 on some ongoing strategies in public information to
18 really keep track of certain environmental
19 consequences. Those are the key points on which we
20 will continue to work on on an ongoing basis: Ongoing
21 study to objectively assess air quality issues, plans
22 to prevent and mitigate impact of airport traffic,
23 continue to work with the community in providing
24 information through a number of sources.

25 An existing Airport Advisory Committee

1 will be expanded, Master Plan Advisory Committee, but
2 more importantly, what I'm personally excited about is
3 we will create a web page that will provide information
4 and will continue to provide information to you the
5 public relative to environmental as well as activities
6 that are going on at the airport.

7 This slide depicts really some activities
8 that are already planned for the airport, and you
9 probably have seen the need for that for those of you
10 who have traveled in Love Field. A new parking lot, a
11 parking garage, is under construction or is designed
12 right now and will soon be under construction. Heating
13 and ventilation and air-conditioning changes will be
14 made, as well as a new bag wing. This is really
15 looking at planned improvements that are already
16 underway regardless of the Master Plan.

17 In terms of the development of the
18 airport and how do we get to 32 gates and the
19 infrastructure that's needed to support that, let's --
20 it's important to throw out -- to look at that and to
21 assess it, really, in current terms. Right now at the
22 airport, there are 22 gates that are currently either
23 in use or available for use on an immediate basis.
24 There are 22 gates that are there now. Twenty-nine can
25 be turned into gates tomorrow. This includes seven

1 that are currently used by Southwest Airlines as office
2 space, but they can be turned into gates. The 32 gates
3 first would be achieved, first of all, on a demand
4 basis.

5 This whole plan is based on the fact that
6 gates would not be built unless there is a demand. And
7 the associated infrastructure that goes along with it
8 to support that would only be built upon demand. And
9 there is a phasing process by which these new
10 facilities will be placed on-line. There is a Phase 1,
11 and that's what this slide depicts. To get to that, we
12 would open three gates immediately on the east
13 concourse, and I wish I had a pointer, and that's the
14 light blue area that is depicted in the light blue
15 area.

16 If you look to the right of the light
17 blue area, that is currently a terminal building. One
18 of the key elements of this plan is that that facility
19 will be demolished. Places where gates had
20 traditionally been at the start when the airport was
21 operating at a higher tempo, those will be demolished
22 and replaced with a cargo building.

23 There's also in that blue area a parking
24 lot, the blue area to the right of the screen, a
25 parking lot that will accommodate the cargo building as

1 well as an auto parking lot adjacent to it. So it
2 calls for the demolition of the rest of the east
3 concourse beyond that light blue area. It also calls
4 for the demolition of another structure of the east
5 concourse which extends out beyond the light blue area,
6 In fact, you can see it on the chart.

7 But, again, it's also a demolition of
8 some existing facilities as well as some improvement in
9 the roadway. This immediately would add three gates to
10 the mix. It's also an important fact that I had failed
11 to mention that in the count of 29 and going to 32, six
12 gates that currently exist at the Legend facility, six
13 gates, are counted in that number, are a part of that
14 number. This represents the immediate phase, the first
15 phase of the development.

16 There are also future phases, and, again,
17 emphasis here, future phases will be driven by demand
18 only. It would not undertake the -- the airport will
19 not undertake this build-out unless there was airline
20 demand for these activities.

21 This would call for a replacement or
22 rehabilitation of what is called the north concourse
23 currently leased to Southwest. This will add seven
24 gates, again, demand driven, but seven gates to the
25 airport, and ultimately now reaching a 32-gate

1 capacity. There will also be a ticket wing that,
2 again, if demand necessitates the development of a
3 ticket wing to support that new development or
4 rehabilitated development of the north concourse and
5 the seven gates.

6 And the big blue circle that you see that
7 is going around the parking area represents a
8 redevelopment and reconstruction of the roadway system
9 in front of the airport. Again, if that demand
10 necessitates the development of that north concourse,
11 it will require some roadway improvements in the front,
12 as well as something that I had mentioned earlier
13 that's not depicted on this screen, roadway
14 improvements at Cedar Springs and Mockingbird. But,
15 again, this is a future phase.

16 The plan also calls for what is called
17 some airside improvements, generally related to the
18 airfield. Those are listed there for you. We won't go
19 into a lot of detail there, but there will be some
20 improvements that will be necessary on the airside.

21 How much will all this cost? And that's
22 a breakdown really of Phase 1, \$2,295,000, and then the
23 future phase, \$124,973,000, and that's the total. Now,
24 it is important to state that the starting capital
25 improvements have been financed through the revenues

1 that are generated by the airport through federal
2 grants that probably will pay for a lot of the airside
3 improvements that we talked about in the last slide.

4 But more importantly, we look to the
5 tenants, the airlines that want to come in to operate
6 at the airport, to make those improvements. So the
7 capital improvements generally will be financed
8 revenues, airport revenues, grants, tenant investments.

9 The recommendation that we'd be making to
10 the Dallas City Council relative to this plan would be
11 to approve the Master Plan, which the key elements
12 being the gate numbers and the configuration, the
13 32-gate scenario, demand driven 32-gate scenario, the
14 costing estimates, we want to approve the cost
15 estimates.

16 And a key element of this is to endorse
17 the ongoing strategies of additional environmental,
18 additional public information tools that have been the
19 heart of this plan and strategies to manage the
20 environmental impact. The city manager will also be
21 required to negotiate some new lease amendments to
22 fully implement this plan and to submit this plan to
23 the federal agencies.

24 One of the things that you've been
25 reading about and hearing about in the press is that

