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Date: October 8, 2021
To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager *T.M.*
From: Cynthia Guidry, Director, Long Beach Airport *C.G.*
For: Mayor and Members of the City Council
Subject: **Long Beach Airport Award of One Permanent Flight Slot**

Due to the impacts of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, on March 16, 2020, Long Beach Airport (Airport) sent a letter to each Air Carrier that provided temporary relief from the flight slot minimum use provisions outlined in Long Beach City Council Resolution No. RES-18-0176 ("Flight Allocation Resolution"). The Airport's flight slot moratorium concluded on June 30, 2021.

On August 18, 2021, after months of non-operation, FedEx notified the Airport that they would be discontinuing service at the Airport and relinquishing their lone Permanent Air Carrier flight slot effective August 18, 2021, due to changes in their business operations. The Airport has an established Permanent Air Carrier Flight Slot Waiting List and a specified process for the allocation of flight slots. On September 2, 2021, the Airport initiated outreach to the four incumbent Air Carriers on the Permanent Air Carrier Flight Slot Waiting List.

Pursuant to the protocol outlined in Section 4 of City Council Resolution No. RES-18-0176 (Allocation Resolution), the Airport is required to reallocate available flight slots within 30 days to interested Air Carriers. Prior to awarding the Permanent Air Carrier flight slot, the Waiting List was the following:

1. Hawaiian Airlines
2. Delta Air Lines
3. Southwest Airlines
4. American Airlines

Southwest Airlines and American Airlines were the only airlines that responded and requested the available Permanent Air Carrier flight slot. Delta Air Lines and Hawaiian Airlines were contacted and are not currently interested in additional flight slots at the Airport. Based on the procedures and protocol that are outlined in the Allocation Resolution, Southwest Airlines was awarded the requested flight slot.

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After the flight slot was awarded, the Permanent Air Carrier Flight Slot Waiting List has changed to the following:

1. American Airlines
2. Hawaiian Airlines
3. Delta Air Lines
4. Southwest Airlines

The table below lists the Air Carriers currently operating at the Airport, in addition to the number and type of flight slots that each Air Carrier has been allocated following the reallocation of the Permanent Air Carrier flight slot:

Air Carrier	Permanent Flight Slots	Supplemental Flight Slots	Total Flight Slots
American Airlines	3	0	3
Delta Air Lines	9	3	12
Hawaiian Airlines	2	0	2
Southwest Airlines	26	9	35
UPS	1	0	1
TOTAL	41	12	53

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