

BOISE AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

September 2, 2026

The Boise Airport Commission meeting was held in the Boise River Room.

BOI Staff Present: Jodi Spencer; Trevor Carter; Justin Hooper; Adam Oliver; Lindsey Hudson; Kelly Burrows; Savannah Shaon; Bryan Hill; Matt Cooper; Jason Richards; Mardi Mendenhall; Brady DeYoung; Steven Foster; Shawna Samuelson; Jennifer Kronberg; Renee New; Markus Green; Nate Vogel, Beth Sumner.

Others Present: Tina Hruby, COB HR; Laura Taylor; Mary Hughes; Dan Forbes, Forbes Aviation Academy; Brett Poore, John Jackson, JJC; Jarod Norton, Ardurra;

I. Roll Call

Commission Members Present: Boesiger; Cunningham; Hughes; Gen. Smith; Vasconcellos; Westerberg.

Commission Members Absent: Carlson; Councilman Morales.

II. Election of the Commission Chair & Vice Chair:

Ms. Hughes nominated Gen. Smith to serve as Chair of the Commission. The motion was approved, and Gen. Smith was elected Chair of the Commission.

Mr. Vasconcellos requested that the votes for Chair and Vice Chair be conducted separately.

Ms. Hughes nominated Ms. Boesiger to serve as Vice Chair. The motion was approved.

Gen. Smith assumed responsibility for conducting the meeting at this point.

III. Approval of Minutes – August 5, 2026, Airport Commission Meeting

Westerberg moved the minutes be approved as written; Vasconcellos seconded, all in favor.

III. Unfinished Business

There were no previously deferred items for discussion.

IV. Reports

A. Airport Director's Report – Kathleen Watkins (interim Director)

Ms. Watkins presented the Director's Report. The Commission and Ms. Watkins discussed the following topics:

- The number of employees working at the airport.
- Fuel tanks and fuel trucking operations.
- Future plans for the former RAC location.
- The Central Utility Plant.

- Timelines for construction projects.
- Alaska Airlines' response.
- The step-down fix.
- The City's responsibilities to the public regarding FAA-related issues.

B. Commissioner Comments

The Commission thanked Mr. Cunningham for his service as Chair; They also thanked Shawna and Jennifer for all their hard work on the CONRAC Opening. Some Commissioners did some traveling over the last month.

C. Airport Staff Report – Boise Airport Survey Results – Shawna Samuelson

Ms. Samuelson presented the ACI Airport Service Quality Departure Survey Results. She then turned the presentation over to Tom Ruth and Alex Debelle, who presented the ACI & AirportNEXT 2026 Stakeholder Survey Results.

The Commission, Mr. Ruth, Mr. Debelle, and Ms. Samuelson discussed the following topics:

- How participants received the survey.
- Opportunities to increase dining and shopping options.
- Availability of the survey results to the Commission.

V. Public Comment – Questions & Comments

Laura Taylor, a representative of the Surprise Valley Neighborhood, addressed the Commission encouraging them to make a submission through the FAA portal concerning flights traveling overhead and the potential danger they pose to eagles and turkey vultures. Ms. Taylor provided the Commission with a handout, which is attached to these minutes. Mr. Vogel informed the Commission that he will work with Ms. Taylor after the meeting.

VI. Adjournment
