Airport Board Appointment: Natalie Gochnour

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Becker is recommending Ms. Natalie Gochnour be appointed to the Airport Board. If appointed, Ms Gochnour will be filling a vacancy and will serve a term extending through January 20, 2014.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Ms. Gochnour resides in Murray and is currently serving as the Chief Operating Officer at the Salt Lake Chamber. Ms. Gochnour would like to contribute to the Airport Board based on her history in economic development.

RESPONSE DEADLINE:

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Amber know by Thursday, April 7, 2010.

CURRENT COMPOSITION OF AIRPORT BOARD:

The Airport Board consists of nine voting board members appointed to four-year term. Members may not currently be employed in commercial aeronautics. City ordinance allows four board members to reside outside City boundaries. Current board members include: David Ibarra, District 4; Michael Zuhl, District 5; Michael Bodell, District 6; Russell Pack, District 7; Carlton Christensen; Ex-Officio, Andrea Wolcott and Wayne Holland.

BOARD STRUCTURE:

The Airport Board was created to promote optimum safety, improve public service and continue profitability. It is an advisory board that makes recommendations to the Mayor regarding the operation and management of the City's airports. As detailed in the Salt Lake City Code, the Airport Board shall "assist the director of airports in every way possible for the continuing orderly development and promotion of the airport in order to best serve the local and regional requirements for airport service." The Airport Board has a duty to prepare an annual budget for operating and maintenance expenditures; plan and approve all construction and expansion projects; determine broad matters of policy regarding the operation and management of the airport; determine uses for airport land; and establish rate structures for services or facilities furnished by the airport.