



**City of Long Beach**

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**Memorandum**

**Date:** October 4, 2016

**To:** *Patrick H. West, City Manager* *T-M*

**From:** Jess L. Romo, Director, Long Beach Airport *JLR*

**For:** Mayor and Members of the City Council

**Subject:** **Federal Inspection Services Facility Feasibility Study for the Long Beach Airport and City Attorney's Opinion Regarding Federal Inspection Services Facility – Release of Completed Reports**

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On January 19, 2016, the City Council authorized the execution of a contract with Jacobs Engineering Group (Jacobs) for the preparation of a comprehensive Feasibility Study (Study) for a potential Federal Inspection Services (FIS) Facility at the Long Beach Airport. The Study examines the following areas relative to a FIS Facility: Market Demand, Environmental Compliance, Economic Impact, Facility Concepts, Airport Scope and Capability, Financial Feasibility, and Security Risk.

The City Council also requested that the City Attorney provide a legal opinion regarding "potential threats" to the Airport Noise Compatibility Ordinance (Noise Ordinance) if a FIS Facility was built, and to further opine as to what types of mitigation could be implemented in the event that the Noise Ordinance was invalidated. The completed Study and legal opinion are attached for your consideration.

Both documents will be available on the City's and Airport's websites for public review and download. A press release will be issued this afternoon directing the public to the location on the respective websites, followed by similar announcements via social media. As part of the community review process requested by the City Council, a presentation of the Study, a report on the legal opinion, as well as an opportunity for public comment, will be included on the respective agendas of the following public meetings:

**Thursday, October 20, 2016**  
Airport Advisory Commission (AAC)  
Long Beach Gas & Oil Auditorium  
6:30 – 8:30 P.M.

**Tuesday, October 25, 2016**  
Economic Development Commission (EDC)  
City Council Chamber  
4:00 – 8:00 P.M.  
FIS Study discussion will start at 6:00 P.M.

The City Council directed the study to be available to the public 15 days before the first City Council meeting and discussion. The City Council is tentatively scheduled to receive the presentation and public input from the two commission meetings on November 15, 2016.

If there are any questions regarding this information, please contact me at (562) 570-2605.

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