

Council Meeting of  
June 22, 2010

**SUPPLEMENTAL #1 TO ITEM 8K**

Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Torrance City Council  
City Hall  
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

**SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL #1 TO COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8k**  
**Approve agreement for licensing and maintenance of Airport Noise**  
**Monitoring System:**

The following correspondence was submitted after the preparation of the item. The Community Development Director and Planning Commission continue to recommend that the City Council approve the Noise Offices Services agreement with Lochard Corporation for licensing and maintenance of the Airport Noise Abatement System (ANOMS) with the addition of Noise Office Services and Technology Management Modules.

Respectfully submitted,

JEFFERY W. GIBSON  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

By   
Linda Cessna  
Deputy Community Development Director

CONCUR:  
  
Jeffery W. Gibson  
Community Development Director

NOTED:  
  
LeRoy J. Jackson  
City Manager

**Attachments:**  
A. Correspondence



**Cessna, Linda**

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**From:** RRoot94227@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, June 21, 2010 11:31 AM  
**To:** Scotto, Frank; Barnett, Gene; Brewer, Tom; Furey, Pat; Numark, Cliff; Rhilinger, Susan; Sutherland, Bill  
**Cc:** Herbers, Sue; Jackson, LeRoy; Gibson, Jeff; Cessna, Linda  
**Subject:** CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 22, 2010 - AGENDA ITEM 8K - LOCHARD CONTRACT  
**Attachments:** Lochard2.jpg

## RICHARD ROOT

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June 21, 2010

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I live on Via Buena Ventura Street in Hollywood Riviera. For the past couple of years I've studied the problem of noise in our area from helicopters, and from planes taking off west and turning left too early (contrary to Torrance's Municipal Code and Airport noise abatement procedures).

While I'm in favor staff's recommendation to continue the Agreement with Lochard for the Airport Noise Monitoring System, the City should also add the WebTrak module. This module would allow the public, for the first time, to view our Airport's flight operations and noise impacts online. Please see the attached copy of an actual WebTrak screen which shows the type of information available. (It's also copied below.) With this system, citizens could be well informed with accurate flight and noise information. This type of information would be very useful in connection with a "Helicopter Fly Friendly" program, which is mentioned in the staff report.

My understanding is that the cost of this module (\$14,400/Yr.) would be paid by the users of the Airport, so there would be no additional cost to taxpayers.

If any of you think it would be appropriate to remove this item from the consent calendar for further discussion, I would be happy to speak on it.

Sincerely,  
Richard Root

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**Cessna, Linda**

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**From:** Roberta Blowers [drbertab@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 21, 2010 1:12 PM  
**To:** Scotto, Frank; Barnett, Gene; Brewer, Tom; Furey, Pat; Numark, Cliff; Rhilinger, Susan; Sutherland, Bill  
**Cc:** Herbers, Sue; Jackson, LeRoy; Gibson, Jeff; Cessna, Linda  
**Subject:** Item 8K on City Council Agenda for June 22, 2010  
**Attachments:** Letter to City Council members.doc

June 21, 2010

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

SUBJECT: Item 8K on City Council Agenda for June 22, 2010 – Agreement with Lochard Corporation for Airport Noise Monitoring System

I will be unable to attend the City Council meeting on June 22, 2010. However, I hope you will consider this written request.

In December, 2009, a petition was submitted to the Torrance City Council asking for help in reducing helicopter noise. The petition was signed by over 165 area residents who are annoyed by the noise. (Presently, the petitioners number over 190.) The largest group of these residents lives in the Hollywood Riviera. Some of the residents in the Hollywood Riviera area have contacted me regarding the airport noise. After meeting with some of these residents including Richard Root, I have realized that airport noise is a problem in our area as well as other areas in Torrance.

It has come to my attention that Item 8 on the City Council Agenda for June 22, 2010 includes a mention that the addition of the WebTrak module is not being considered currently but will be an option open for a later date as discussed in the staff report.

I believe the City should consider adding the WebTrak module now, instead of leaving the option open for a later date.

The WebTrak module would let the community be able to see the flight operations and noise impacts that they are experiencing and allow complaints to be filed online at any time.

After speaking to Richard Root, my understanding is that the cost of this system is ultimately paid by the users of the Airport and not the taxpayers. If so, I do not think the City's budgetary issues should be an obstacle to adding the new modules.

Please consider including the WebTrak module at this point in time.

Respectfully,

Roberta Blowers, DDS  
 President, Riviera Homeowners Association

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**Cessna, Linda**

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**From:** joarc22@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, June 21, 2010 8:50 PM  
**To:** Cessna, Linda  
**Subject:** Re: Upgrade proposal

Thanks for the response. I downloaded the whole item as soon as the agenda appeared online. I read every line and.

was disappointed that Wed Trak (Option C) has not been founded. I submitted my input to the Council asking to include this module in the current proposal and add 14K to fund this module.

Thanks for having this item put together for Council action.

Hope we remain friends and continue working together to make the noise monitoring system more effective.

Joe

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Cessna, Linda <LCESSNA@TorranceCA.gov>  
**To:** joarc22@aol.com <joarc22@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Mon, Jun 21, 2010 9:15 am  
**Subject:** RE: Upgrade proposal

Hi, joe—sorry I didn't get back to you sooner—the item is on-line with the council agenda. That should probably give you the best information. If you need clarification or anything else, let me know.

**Linda Cessna,**

Deputy Community Development Director, Community Development Department

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[joarc22@aol.com](mailto:joarc22@aol.com) [<mailto:joarc22@aol.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 16, 2010 4:28 PM

**To:** Cessna, Linda

**Subject:** Upgrade proposal

Hi Linda,

I would like you to know how much thankful I am that you are ready with your proposal on noise monitoring system upgrade.

You mentioned that this will be done in two steps--the first step will be presented to the Council the next Tuesday. Unfortunately, Councilman Numark will not be there to support it.

I would like to lobby some council members but need some info--some description of the proposal that is due on Tuesday so I could properly identify it.

Thank you..for your time.

Joe, .

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