

AIRPORT BOARD MINUTES - DECEMBER 29, 1969

7:30 P. M.

Those present: Board members Anderson, Meacham, Youngerman, Lamm, Aubert, Wadlow, City Councilmen Evans, Colescott, and Paruch, William Bredar of H-D-R, Airport Manager Gus Byrom, Reporters Art Blair of KREX and Bruce Heffner of The Daily Sentinel

Chairman Lamm opened meeting by asking Byrom to read two letters from Grand Junction architect Blake Chambliss. First letter criticized Board for hiring H-D-R without first giving local architects chance at full and complete presentation to Board. Second letter, written by Chambliss in his role as Chairman of Regional Planning Commission urged appointment of two Regional Planning Commission members to the Airport Board, and suggested Airport presentation be made at next Regional Planning Commission meeting. The Board, at the conclusion of the meeting, acted on the second letter instructing Airport Manager Byrom to be at next Regional Meeting, and suggesting that two Regional Planning Commission members be invited to attend all Airport Board Meetings.

The question of the hiring of H-D-R for terminal study was fully discussed. Councilman Ray Meacham explained the Council wanted this meeting to fully explore the hiring of H-D-R, and to clarify the reasons behind this. Meacham also objected to hiring of H-D-R before local architects had chance to make full presentation to board. (The same objection raised in Chambliss letter.)

After a lengthy discussion, the group informally agreed to the actions of the Airport Board. Several Airport Board Members said they felt H-D-R was hired for a study, and not the actual drawing of plans. The possibility of stopping the study part way through was also discussed, but abandoned.

Several Airport Board Members stated they felt regular meetings of the Board should be held, and not hurry-up, last minute meetings. After a discussion, it was

decided to hold airport Board Meetings twice a month, on the Second and Fourth Mondays, at 8:00 P.M., in the conference room at City Hall.

The first regular meeting will be held January 26, 1970.

There being no other business to come before the group, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

T. M. Ford, Secretary