

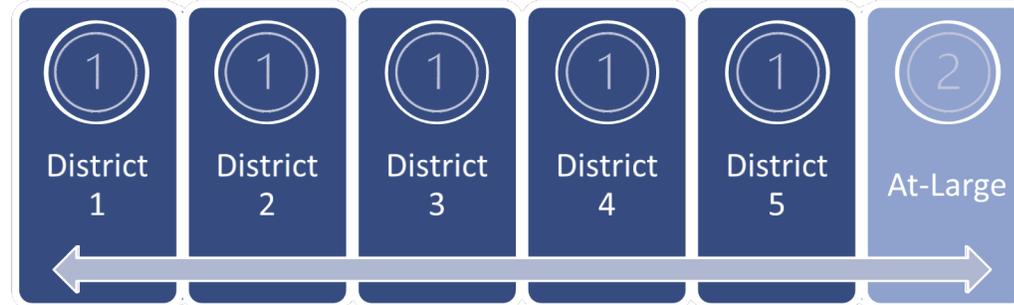


Aviation Commission Governance

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Comparison of Aviation Commission and Airport Land Use Commission

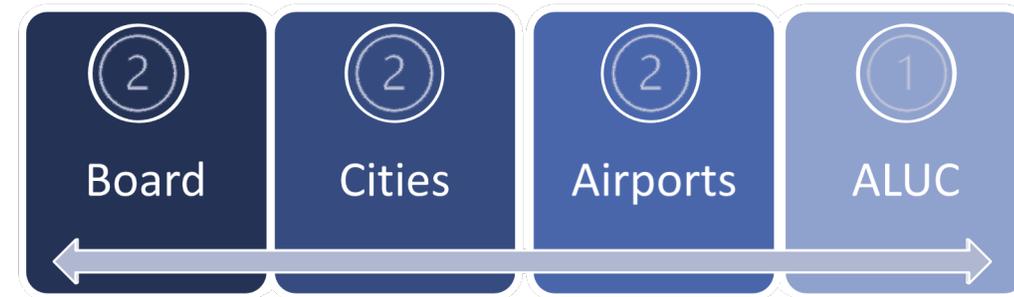
Current Aviation Commission



7 Total Members

All Appointed by the Board

Airport Land Use Commission



7 Total Members

Appointed by Multiple Entities



Current Aviation Commission

Summary of Resolution No. 53319

Terms: Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Board

Commission Member Requirements: None Defined

Duties:

Advise
Review
Recommend
Assist
Initiate Studies



In Support of:

Board of Supervisors
Other entities at the Board's
Direction
Sonoma County Land Use
Commission
Engineering Advisory Committee
Environmental Protection
Committee
Economic Development Board



On the Topics of:

Policies
Capital improvements
Acquisitions
Air Transportation
Land Use
General Plan
Development
Facilities and
Operations



Airport Land Use Commission

Airport Land Use Commissions (ALUCs) are **required by California law** for every County. Each ALUC must develop a plan for promoting and ensuring compatibility between each airport in the county and surrounding land uses.

Duties:

- Make Decisions
- Coordinate
- Prepare & Adopt
- Recommend
- Review
- Enforce



In Support of:

All Local Agencies



On the Topics of:

- General Plan
- Planning
- Rules & Regulations
- Actions
- Zoning or Building Ordinances
- Any other Local Project Within Airport Influence Areas



Conflicts of Consolidation

Mission, Areas of Responsibility and Appointment

Mission

Aviation Commission: advises on matters of management and operations at the Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport.

ALUC: ensures land use around the six airports in the county are compatible with aviation operations, minimizing safety hazards and noise conflicts. Review local plans and developments to align with state regulations. The ALUC does not influence decisions on land within the airport boundaries.

Land Areas of Responsibility

Aviation Commission: Area within the Airport Property line

ALUC: Has no authority inside the Airport Property Line

Appointed by:

Aviation Commission: Board of Supervisors

ALUC: Four different groups - Board of Supervisors (2), City Selection Committee (2), Airport Management (2) and ALUC (1)



Commission Structure Options

Areas to Review:

Membership make-up

- Representation Requirements (if any) by District and/or Area of Knowledge
- Number of members

Terms

- Term Length
- Term Limits

Appointments

- District
- At Large
- Commission

Transition

- A phased approach transition plan will be provided



Commission Structure Options

Current Structure

- + Full flexibility to select membership from any background and knowledge base
- No assurance of diverse perspectives

Safety and Action

- + Ready to respond quickly with confidence and understanding of complex needs
- Lower level of diversity and engagement outside of the Airport

Balance and Flexibility

- + Simplified and balanced structure that ensures available participation and enhanced external engagement
- Slower response and understanding of complex needs

Stakeholder Diversity

- + Specific and ensured diverse stakeholder perspectives
- Slower response and understanding of complex needs
- Potential challenges with appointments and availability



Commission Structure Options

Current Structure

Membership: 7 Members

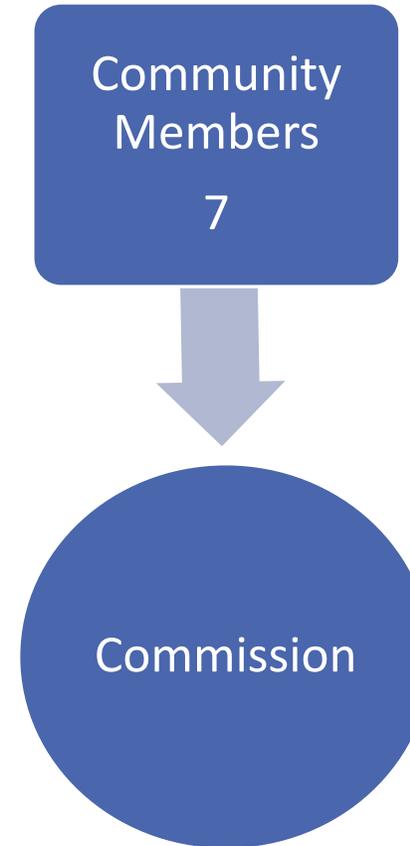
- Undefined Membership Requirements

Strengths:

- Adaptable membership can change to meet current community needs

Terms:

- District Appointee matches Supervisor Term
- 2-Year Terms for At-Large
- At the pleasure of the Board



Commission Structure Options

Safety and Action

Membership: 7 Members

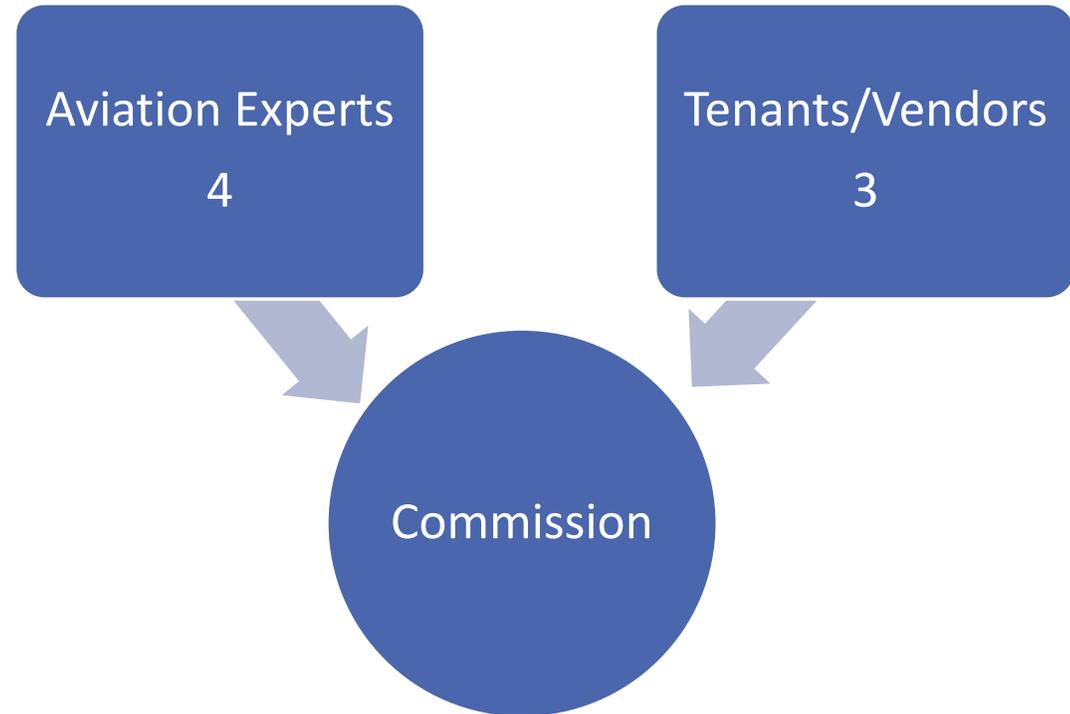
- Aviation Experts: 4
- Tenants/Vendors: 3

Strengths:

- Strong Expert Insight and Support
- Ready to Understand and Respond Quickly to Airport Specific Challenges

Terms:

- 4-Year Terms for All
- Staggering Term Rotation



Commission Structure Options

Balance and Flexibility

Membership: 7 Members

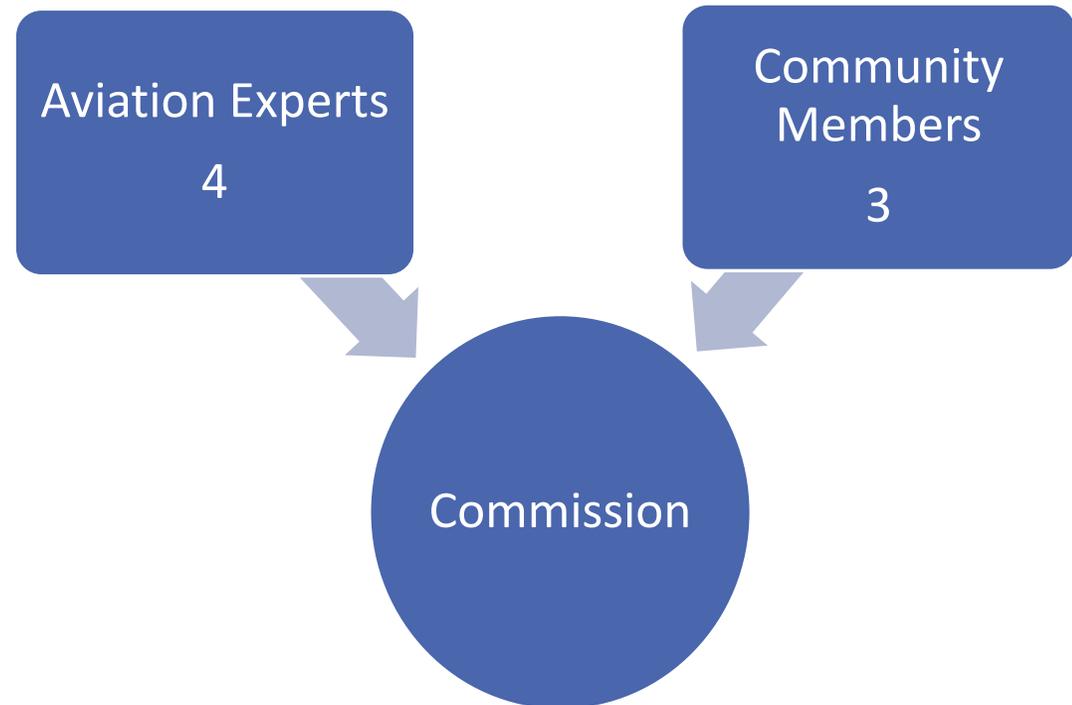
- Aviation Experts: 4
- Community Member Public Appointments: 3

Strengths:

- Strong Expert Insight
- Simplified, Diverse, and Flexible Structure

Terms:

- 4-Year Terms for All
- Staggering Term Rotation



Commission Structure Options

Stakeholder Diversity

Membership: 9 Members

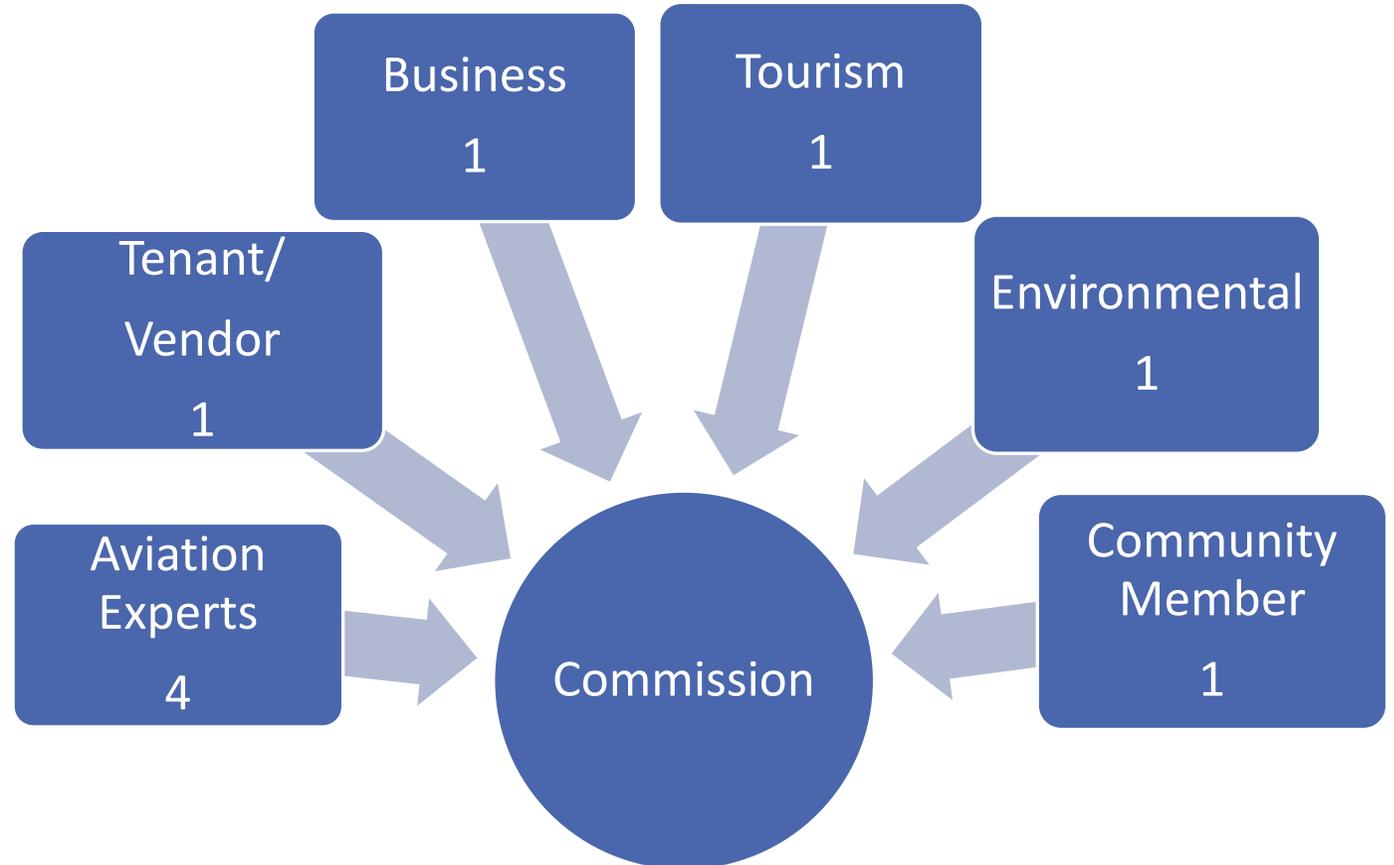
- Aviation Experts: 4
- Airport Tenant/Vendor: 1
- Community Stakeholders: 4

Strengths:

- Stakeholder Engagement
- Aviation Expertise
- Ensured Diverse Engagement

Terms:

- 4-Year Staggered Terms for Experts
- 2-year Terms for Community Stakeholders



Appointment Practices

There are three ways to consider having Commissioners appointed. Each seat can have its own appointment type.

District-Based Appointments by the Board

- Ensure Equitable Representation and Board Support
- Supervisors appoints their own member to represent their District

At Large Appoints by the Board

- Not Restricted by District
- Aviation Expertise
- Ensured Diverse Engagement

Commission Elected Appointments



End of Presentation



Thank You

