

PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

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Meeting Date: February 7, 2017

Consent       Regular  
 Ordinance       Public Hearing

Department:

Submitted By and For: ADMINISTRATION

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I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to receive and file:** Resolution No. 16-209: a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Atlantis, Florida, strongly opposing jet activities at the Palm Beach County Park (Lantana) Airport; strongly encouraging the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration to uphold Palm Beach County's prohibition of jet activities at the Airport; providing an effective date, and for other purposes.

**Summary:** It is the policy of the Board to receive and file any received outside documentation if it involves Palm Beach County policies, programs and/or projects to make the information part of the Board's official record.

**Background and Justification:** N/A

**Attachment:**

Resolution No. 16-20 from the City of Atlantis, Florida

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Recommended By: Patty Hinde      1/13/17  
Agenda Coordinator      Date

Approved By: W. Baker      1/20/17  
County Administrator      Date

**RESOLUTION NO. 16 – 20**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIS, FLORIDA, STRONGLY OPPOSING JET ACTIVITIES AT THE PALM BEACH COUNTY PARK (LANTANA) AIRPORT; STRONGLY ENCOURAGING THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TO UPHOLD PALM BEACH COUNTY'S PROHIBITION ON JET ACTIVITIES AT THE AIRPORT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlantis, Florida (the "City") is located in Palm Beach County (the "County"), and immediately adjacent to the Palm Beach County Park (Lantana) Airport (the "Airport"); and

WHEREAS, the Airport has been a general aviation facility for many years; and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 1973, the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (the "FAA") issued a letter to the County indicating that it had no objection to the County's proposed prohibition on jet aircraft parking, landing or taking off from the Airport; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, the County implemented the jet ban at the Airport after receiving the letter of no objection from the FAA, and after coordinating with the surrounding communities and users of the Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County subsequently entered into an Interlocal Governmental Agreement for Lantana Airport dated March 12, 1991 (the "Interlocal Agreement") in order to impose certain guidelines on the general aviation activities at the Airport given concerns over the welfare of City residents living in close proximity to the Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement specifically reiterated the prohibition on jet operations at the Airport; and

WHEREAS, many City residents and businesses relied on the jet ban at the Airport in moving to the City, and establishing their businesses within the City; and

WHEREAS, a certain person has recently been landing jets at the Airport in violation of the County's prohibition on jets; and

WHEREAS, despite repeated warnings from the County Department of Airports, said person has knowingly and willfully continued to land jets at the Airport; and

WHEREAS, said violator has filed an informal complaint with the FAA to challenge the County's ban on jet operations at the Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City and County are awaiting the FAA's guidance on this matter; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Atlantis, Florida believes that it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of its residents and businesses to maintain the prohibition on jets parking, landing or taking off from the Airport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIS, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1: The City Council of the City of Atlantis hereby strongly opposes jet operations at the Airport, and strongly encourages the FAA to uphold the County's prohibition on such operations at the Airport.

Section 2: The City Council of the City of Atlantis directs that a copy of this Resolution be provided to the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration, Governor Rick Scott, Senator Bill Nelson, Senator Marco Rubio, Congresswoman Lois Frankel, the Board of County Commissioners for Palm Beach County, and to all other parties as deemed appropriate by the City Manager.

Section 3: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

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Aye		Nay
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Aye		Nay

CITY OF ATLANTIS

David Kintz  
Mayor David Kintz

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Councilmember Michael LaCoursiere

Lauri Melear  
Councilmember Lauri Melear

ATTEST:

Kristen Puhalainen  
Kristen Puhalainen, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

Jennifer G. Ashton  
Jennifer G. Ashton, City Attorney



CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

STATE OF FLORIDA )  
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH ) SS:  
CITY OF ATLANTIS )  
Kristen Puhalainen, City Clerk of the City of Atlantis, Florida do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Resolution 16-20

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Atlantis, Florida, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

Kristen Puhalainen  
City Clerk