



**Military Transformation Task Force  
Meeting Minutes  
Office of Military and Veterans Affairs**

A Regular Meeting of the Military Transformation Task Force was held in the B Room of the Municipal Plaza Building located at 114 W. Commerce, San Antonio, Texas 78205 on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 3:00 pm.

**TRI-CHAIR MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commissioner Kevin Wolff <i>Bexar County</i>	Councilmember Clayton Perry <i>San Antonio City Council</i>
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**TRI-CHAIR MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Richard Perez  
*SA Chamber of Commerce*

**ORGANIZATIONAL REPRESENTATION PRESENT:**

Brig. Gen. Laura Lenderman <i>JBSA, 502<sup>nd</sup> Air Base Wing</i>	Diane Rath <i>AACOG</i>	James Perschbach <i>Port San Antonio</i>	Brig. Gen. David Petersen <i>SA Chamber of Commerce</i>
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**STAFF PRESENT:**

Maj. Gen. Juan G. Ayala <i>Military &amp; Veterans Affairs</i>	Jeff Coyle <i>Government &amp; Public Affairs</i>	Michael Shannon <i>TCI</i>	Cecily Hope Pretty <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Lt. Col. Karen Rolirad <i>Military &amp; Veterans Affairs</i>	SFC Edward Brown <i>Military &amp; Veterans Affairs</i>	Melissa Ramirez <i>TCI</i>	

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Celina Barron <i>AACOG</i>	Brian Martinez <i>AACOG</i>	Tim Treviño <i>AACOG</i>	Steve Lamb <i>AACOG</i>
Chuck Bunch <i>USO</i>	Steve Anderson <i>25 AF</i>	Maj. Jesse Allen <i>149<sup>th</sup> FW</i>	CMSgt. Sabrina Still <i>149<sup>th</sup> FW</i>
Meg Reyes <i>JBSA</i>	Maj. Jordan “Joker” Smith <i>JBSA</i>	Col. Jeff Carter <i>JBSA</i>	Brenda Roesch <i>JBSA</i>
Rick Crider <i>Port San Antonio</i>	Monica Thomas <i>Port San Antonio</i>	Queta Rodriguez <i>Bexar County</i>	Bob Brach <i>Bexar County</i>
Lori Stinson <i>SA Chamber of Commerce</i>	Jim Cannizzo <i>U.S. Army</i>		

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Wolff called the meeting to order.

**1. Citizens to be Heard**

No citizens were present to speak.

**2. Review and Approval of Minutes from May 22, 2018**

Councilmember Perry moved to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2018 meeting of the Military Transformation Task Force. Commissioner Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

### **3. Information Items:**

#### **a. Introduction of Brigadier General Laura Lenderman, Commander, 502<sup>nd</sup> Air Base Wing & Joint Base San Antonio (JBSA)**

Major General Juan Ayala introduced Brigadier General Laura Lenderman and provided a brief biography. He noted that stakeholders looked forward to continuing partnerships with JBSA.

No action was required for item 3a.

#### **b. Update on Martindale Army Airfield Military Lighting Overlay District (MLOD)**

Director of Development Services Michael Shannon stated that the Development Services Department (DSD) was working with Martindale Army Air Field to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding development notifications. He noted the importance of notifying adjacent property owners and the military about potential development projects initiated through DSD. He stated that the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG) requested implementation of development notifications within a half mile of training flight patterns. He noted that discussions of compatibility were already occurring between developers, property owners, and the TXARNG but agreements needed to be formalized. He stated that the MOU would be finalized in November 2018.

Mr. Shannon stated that Councilmember Shaw filed a Council Consideration Request (CCR) to initiate MLOD and Military Sound Attenuation Overlay (MSAO) District around Martindale Airfield. He noted that the MLOD would regulate lighting in areas within five miles to reduce light pollution and the MSAO would regulate construction to reduce noise impact from military operations. He stated that staff began the rezoning process to include stakeholder input, community meetings, and the adoption process with the Zoning Commission and City Council. He noted that protections would be the same as Camp Bullis and Lackland. He stated that community meetings were proposed on October 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, Zoning Commission on November 6<sup>th</sup>, and City Council approval on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Councilmember Perry asked if an agreement was reached with the current developer. Mr. Shannon replied that the developer voluntarily delayed the zoning case due to the TXARNG's request. Councilmember Perry asked of the expected timeline for the finalized proposal following discussions between the developer and the TXARNG. Mr. Shannon replied that it was expected in a month.

Gen. Ayala stated that Martindale Airfield provided significant air support during Hurricane Harvey and the proposed protections were essential to preserving the Airfield's mission.

Brigadier General David Petersen asked if there were existing structures that would not be compliant with the MLOD and MSAO. Mr. Shannon replied that existing structures would be grandfathered in under current zoning but additions or major renovations would be subject to the new requirements.

No action was required for Item 3b.

#### **c. Munitions Storage Area Project**

Major Jesse Allen stated that the 149<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing's Federal Missions included an F-16 Training Unit, Cyber Operations Squadron, and support for Air Expeditionary Forces. He noted that the State Mission

included disaster response and the unit was currently preparing for tropical storms in the area. He stated that the F-16 B-Course Syllabus required live munitions and missile employment. He added that future requirements would include rocket employment. He noted that fulfilling said requirements was not currently possible at JBSA and trainees had to be taken off-site to do so.

Chief Master Sergeant Sabrina Still reviewed munitions definitions for Hazard Divisions 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, and 1.4. She stated that 1.3 and 1.4 were kept on JBSA but 1.1 and 1.2 were kept on the Medina Annex due to Quantity Distance requirements to protect the surrounding population. She presented a map displaying the existing Munitions Storage Area (MSA) and proposed Growden MSA. She noted that the current location was challenged by flood plain issues and the only bridge approved for munitions transport flooded frequently. She presented a map of the current transport route and noted that it posed potential hazards to public safety. She stated that the Growden MSA would increase capability for the 149<sup>th</sup> and reduce risks to civilians and JBSA tenants. She requested assistance to bring stakeholders to the table and acquire land in the proposed MSA.

Gen. Ayala asked if the land in question belonged to the City of San Antonio. Maj. Allen replied that it was approximately 85% City-owned. Gen. Ayala asked where the 149<sup>th</sup> traveled to fulfill syllabus requirements. Maj. Allen replied that they typically traveled to Phoenix, Arizona.

Commissioner Wolff asked of the land that did not belong to the City. Gen. Ayala replied that DSD was investigating whether developments were planned.

Gen. Petersen asked if acquisition of the land would bring the 149<sup>th</sup> to full munitions capacity. Maj. Allen replied that it would.

Councilmember Perry noted that the Growden area housed the City's Impound Lot and action would need to be taken quickly due to planned site improvements. He suggested investigation of a land swap between the City and JBSA.

Commissioner Wolff noted that Bexar County had 420 acres that the 149<sup>th</sup> could also examine for the MSA. He stated that stakeholders would be contacted for follow-up at the next MTTF meeting.

No action was required for Item 3c.

**d. Proposed Development of 51 Acres in JBSA-Randolph's Clear Zone/Accident Protection Zones (APZs)**

Lieutenant Colonel Karen Rolirad presented a map of existing conditions at JBSA-Randolph including noise contours, Clear Zones, and APZs 1 and 2. She noted that staff, area stakeholders, and the military were working to prevent encroachment issues. She stated that Bexar County purchased 51 acres adjacent to the area and was discussing compatible land uses with the military.

Major Jordan "Joker" Smith stated that flight was inherently risky and development posed additional risks to military pilots in the 12<sup>th</sup> Flying Training Wing. He commended the cooperation from developers Santé 51 to address sound and light issues and work collaboratively with the military to develop the area around Randolph responsibly. He recommended utilizing the experience with Santé 51 as an example of best practices for collaboration between the private sector, public sector, and the military in terms of development and risk mitigation.

Commissioner Wolff stated that Bexar County purchased the land for the sole purpose of protecting JBSA-Randolph and the only approved construction was for a Sheriff's Substation. He noted that Commissioners Court was committed to ensuring development proposals were compatible with military missions.

Gen. Ayala expressed concern that further development would impede hosting the JBSA Air Show.

Diane Rath stated that AACOG submitted a request for funding to assist with additional land acquisition for JBSA.

Gen. Petersen asked if JBSA was satisfied with the existing Clear Zones at Randolph. Meg Reyes replied that they were not and would pursue land acquisition to enhance them. Gen. Petersen asked of Clear Zones at Kelly Air Force Base. Ms. Reyes replied that they were sufficient but areas around Medina Annex would likely need mitigation due to rapid development.

No action was required for Item 3d.

**e. Update on the City of San Antonio's Veteran Support & Military Issues Review Council Consideration Request (CCR)**

Gen. Ayala stated that Councilmember Perry submitted a CCR to look holistically at Military Affairs including employment opportunities for transitioning veterans and military spouses. He noted collaboration with the Chamber of Commerce on the Military Spouse Economic Empowerment Zone (MSEEZ) and with the City's Human Resources Department. He stated that there were Affordable Housing Programs for military members and limited educational programming. He noted the inclusion of Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB) Preference in the City's solicitation processes. He highlighted the activities of the City's Commission on Veterans Affairs and the recent Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA) Partnership with JBSA to support infrastructure improvements. He stated that collaborative partnerships to protect military missions insulated San Antonio against future Base Realignments and Closures (BRACs). He noted that a more detailed description of the outcome of the CCR would be presented at a future meeting.

Councilmember Perry stated that the intent of the CCR was to centralize information regarding Veterans Programs and identify additional opportunities.

Commissioner Wolff thanked Councilmember Perry for his leadership and requested an updated list of needs and priorities from JBSA.

No action was required for Item 3e.

**4. Committees Inputs**

No input was provided from the Subcommittees. Commissioner Wolff invited attendees to speak on current events.

Ms. Rath thanked MTTF for their leadership on the IGSA and expressed AACOG's support for continuing partnerships.

Jim Perschbach stated that there was significant growth in cybersecurity efforts at Port San Antonio.

Lori Stinson stated that the Chamber of Commerce would host their annual Commanders Reception on September 20, 2018 and was planning for the year's Celebrate America's Military Events.

Jeff Coyle, Director of Government and Public Affairs, stated that staff would soon draft the City's Legislative Agenda. He noted that they would continue to pursue Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG) Program funding. He noted that the State Legislature changed annexation requirements and an upcoming annexation election would allow additional land use controls around Camp Bullis and Lackland whether annexation was approved or not.

No action was required for Item 4.

#### **5. JBSA (Opportunity to Address the MTTF)**

Gen. Lenderman thanked MTTF for their support on the IGSA and suggested a future Public-Public and Public-Private (P4) Partnership. She noted a successful recent Command Cyber Readiness Inspection (CCRI) and the upcoming Air Force Ball. She stated that 9/11 Ceremonies were held at all JBSA installations and suggested a collaborative event with MTTF in future years.

No action was required for Item 5.

#### **6. Tri-Chairs' Final Comments**

Councilmember Perry stated that he was circulating a CCR to install signage with "Military City USA ®" on major roadways entering San Antonio. He suggested pursuing future federal Space Force projects and recommended formation of a subcommittee to investigate same. He spoke of the activation of the U.S. Army Futures Command in Austin and noted support for collaboration between military leaders in Austin and San Antonio. Gen. Ayala added that Austin was successful in part because of San Antonio's partnership and that support should be leveraged.

Commissioner Wolff asked that the upcoming Legislative Agenda include protections for Brooke Army Medical Center related to Level 2 Trauma Center restrictions. Mr. Coyle asked to collaborate with the Chamber of Commerce to ensure consistency in legislative language.

No action was required for Item 6.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Wolff adjourned the meeting at 4:29 pm.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Cecily Hope Pretty, Office of the City Clerk*