

Communication from Public

Name: Betty B

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 12:31 PM

Council File No: 22-1125

Comments for Public Posting: I would like to register my complaint about the VNY airport expansion. I have been denied a peaceful home life because of private jets taking off and landing every 30 to 60 seconds starting on Thursday and ending late Sunday or early Monday morning.

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Name: V Miller

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 01:36 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: To the Los Angeles City Council Traffic, Transportation, and Tourism Committee Members: Considering that VNY now far exceeds BUR with regular jet traffic from jet-service companies who operate much like a charter-jet company, I am respectfully noting that it is time for the Los Angeles City Council to make sure VNY is not supporting commercial travel that really falls into a gray area currently. This new model of air travel has become the main concern for residents who live under the flight path of VNY. It is not unusual during peak hours for jets to depart within a minute of each other. This would explain the more than 277,000 flights in and out of VNY annually. This type of unchecked and unprecedented growth is not what a municipal airport in the middle of a land-locked valley was ever intended for. Frankly these types of jet services have found a loophole and are taking advantage of it at VNY. We need to set limits, real limits, and look at ways to decrease the burden VNY is currently putting on residents, students, businesses, and wildlife in our communities. The following items need to be taken into account going forward, and there should be a moratorium in place for new RFP or other development projects at VNY until addressed (not to mention, including waiting for the CD6 Special Election being held in April and June):

- When should we expect an updated Master/Specific Plan for VNY Airport—it is more than 10 years late?
- How much bigger will VNY get?
- Why is the voluntary Quieter Nights Program not being advocated for more? Reward those who do not ignore it for example.
- Will you include local Neighborhood Councils in discussions about the above? Many have created specific Airport Committees (such as Encino and Sherman Oaks) because of how negatively their communities have been impacted by the continued growth of jet noise at VNY.

Thank you for your time and attention.

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Name: Brenda Kuznitsky

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 01:59 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: The number of jet flights to and from Van Nuys Airport must be lowered. The noise and air pollution is harmful to everyone. Especially the pollution, it is harmful to all who live in the valley not just those who live under the flight pattern of the many jets that are now flying. The noise has changed my enjoyment of my home of many years. I was not informed of this huge expansion over the last few years. STOP THE NOISE - STOP THE POLLUTION

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Name: Fyodor M

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 02:20 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I do not support an increase in jet charter operations at VNY. LAWA must not remove Council District 5 and its representatives from the Van Nuys Citizens Advisory Council. Do not expand of helicopter hangar space at VNY. LAWA must follow the guidance of LA City Councilmembers who clearly have stated that they want LAWA to present their track record of how the community has had input into past development at VNY, prior to any new leases being awarded. LAWA should heed the advice of the CAC that recently passed a motion calling for a moratorium on all new leases and development at VNY until there can be a full airing of past airport decision-making, in light of the Nury Martinez scandal. There should be no new development at Van Nuys.

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Name: Sue

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Name: Rochelle Zimmerman
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Name: Patty Burnstein
Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 11:57 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: LAWA/ VNY needs to be transparent about their plans to increase traffic at Van Nuys airport. The current traffic as well as low flying planes create a problem for people, plants and animals in the area. This airport is in the middle of a dense neighborhood and really impact both health and safety due to particulate emissions, and terrible noise. We deserve a better quality of life than what has recently happened with the new flight plans and should not have to tolerate even more traffic at this airport Thank You

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Comments for Public Posting: STOP THE HARMFUL NOISE FROM VNY! I support a decrease of piston plane and jet operations at VNY. How stupid to fly these planes over children! We know that the noise harms children's development. You don't care! If you have any decency you will stop allowing a few people to harm hundreds of thousands or more on the ground beneath these loud, toxic flights. Check your own corruption and what you are willing to do for money. You know how loud and awful it is on the ground, and you want to expand it, for money? Check the state of your soul, each and every one of you, who vote to expand VNY.

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Name: Tracy Lilienfield

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 10:03 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing to express my grave concerns about the expansion of Van Nuys Airport. The increase in air traffic, the low levels at which they fly, and the flagrant disregard for the suggested "quiet hours" has changed life for Valley residents dramatically for the worse. Our homes and our health are negatively impacted, and it only gets worse as time goes by. Why isn't anyone looking out for residents?

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Name: Christine

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 10:28 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: There are WAY too many Jets and Helicopters flying over the area now. Now they want to add more? This a horrible idea. Happy to have some of you come to our home and witness what the current situation is with the Van Nuys airport traffic. TOO LOW and TOO MANY!!!! Our neighborhood does not support an increase in jet charter operations at VNY, a fully landlocked airport surrounded by densely populated neighborhoods and on the south by birds, trees, and wildlife of the Sepulveda Flood Basin LA City Council needs to represent the residents and business owners around the airport and show they care about the health and environmental impacts to surrounding communities of what goes on at VAN NUYS AIRPORT by doing everything possible to draw down that airport.

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Name: Dan Turrett

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 10:37 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support a decrease of jet operations at VNY. Current levels are not environmentally appropriate, safe, or compatible with living, learning or recreating around the airport. Over the past several years the line between noncommercial and commercial has blurred, with semi-private charter flights and "air taxis" exploiting a loophole and selling individual seats to the public. It's time to put an end to this abuse. Why has the City (and LAWA) done nothing to combat the harm VNY is doing to the residents and businesses in surrounding communities? Many neighborhoods are impacted! Things are bad now. Are they expected to get worse? What is the plan for VNY??? The City Council needs to be a strong voice in support of decreasing operations. Help us!

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Name: Roy Lyons

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Comments for Public Posting: I do not support an increase in jet charter operations at VNY, a fully landlocked airport surrounded by densely populated neighborhoods and on the south by birds, trees, and wildlife of the Sepulveda Flood Basin. VNY and LAWA have been unwilling and unable to address noise issues affecting tens of thousands of residents to date. Deal with existing problems rather than spending time compounding them and making lives worse in the process!

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Name: Charles Willson
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Comments for Public Posting: We live in the Sherman Oaks hills. We have been pounded my air noise as the planes take off and land over our house. We are about 1,000 feet so the planes are closer to the ground level here which creates a louder noise. We have been disturbed by plane noise 24 hours a day. Yes, the planes take off all through the night. I have filed over 20,000 complaints on airnoise.io. It is really unnerving to our well being. Can you please return the take off pattern to bank over the 101 and not us. Thank you.

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Name:

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Comments for Public Posting: Please place reasonable limits on Van Nuys airports flights as it is in the middle of homes and schools. Thank you.

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Name: Andrea Gladstone

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello I live in Encino and the increased air noise is very disruptive. Planes and jets fly low at all hours. Apparently, there is a curfew, but it is not enforced. I keep my windows closed most of the time to reduce the air noise in the house. This has become a true problem for us. It is also dangerous. Please do whatever can be done to reduce the air noise in our neighborhood. Thank you.

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Name: Fran Potaski

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 09:53 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: The increase in flights during “curfew hours” at Van Nuys airport has gotten much worse since 2018 and is NOT ENFORCED. I used to be able to sleep at night with my windows open. Now I have to waste electricity and keep my windows closed. Curfew is a joke! There are some smaller planes that fly under the radar and continuously fly over homes. Who is allowing this behavior? LAWA? There are times I can’t enjoy my back yard due to the noise from jets and low flying aircraft. On foggy mornings when I open my front door for fresh air I can smell jet fuel. What is the Master Plan for Van Nuys Airport? What about Van Nuys Airport neighbors, don’t we matter?

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Name: MARY ANN FRAGODT

Date Submitted: 02/21/2023 09:54 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: What is the Master Plan for VNY Airport? Changing the VNY flight paths has resulted in a toxic aerial assault and deafening noise pollution. It is destroying our Encino neighborhood I wholeheartedly support VNY reverting flight paths to their historical points!

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Comments for Public Posting: As 46 year resident of Sherman Oaks, I strenuously object to plans for expansion at Van Nuys Airport-- to handle more vendors, and larger jet aircraft (e.g. charters). I have been waiting since 2017 for the relevant agencies-- FAA, LAWA, BOAC etc-- to return to the historic VNY departure path whereby departing jets ascended more quickly and more immediately turned to destination without first proceeding many miles southward beyond the airport into and across the rising foothills, protected parkland, and high fire hazard terrain in the vicinity of the Santa Monica Mountains. As direct, immediate consequences of this departure path shift, many thousands of residents like me in multiple communities across the southern end of the San Fernando Valley have been, and continue to be adversely subjected to extreme noise from frequent, loud, lower flying jets and constant exposure to their toxic emissions. Increased jet traffic operations, including charter jet operations will only exacerbate existing problems which VNY over-flight communities continue to confront on a daily basis-- more frequent, louder, low jets and toxic emissions exposure! We have been waiting for ameliorative actions which focus on multiple, adverse community impacts already raised (since 2017) to city, state, and federal representatives (and in the S.F. Valley Task Force Report) regarding VNY. Containment, even decrease of operations at VNY should be on the table, not any expansions which serve corporate interests, but intensify very real, on-going issues imposed by VNY jet traffic to community health and well being. Your interest and attention to is needed, and sincerely appreciated.

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Name: Rodney Fragodt
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Comments for Public Posting: Why has the City allowed LAWA to ignore its most critical stakeholder, the citizens and communities surrounding and impacted by Van Nuys airport? Local community governance needs to be established. The toxic pollution affects our health and the bombardment of noise at all hours is destroying our neighborhood. The explosive increase of take offs and landings in recent years has ruined our community. It is time to put an end to this abuse. What will you do to represent the best interests of residents and businesses impacted by the expanded VNY airport?

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Name: Lynn Crosswaite

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Comments for Public Posting: Regarding VNY airport: For YEARS my neighbors and I have been fighting jet noise, expansion of operations, unenforced nighttime "curfew", the new flight paths, harm to the environment and to our mental health! The City Council needs to represent us in decreasing jet operations and more. City Council needs to show that they care about the health and environmental impact to our surrounding densely populated communities. It's all just unacceptable. And it's outrageous that nothing is being done! What is the master plan for VNY? How much bigger will the airport get? How many more flights? Why are the altitude limits, noise limits and "curfew" unenforced? Why has the City allowed LAWA to ignore us?