

Communication from Public

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City Council via CFMS



RE: Public Comment supporting Motion 25-1514 — Setting Public Record straight

On behalf of Valley communities spanning multiple districts, supporting and represented by QSWH's efforts to ensure responsible and transparent airport stewardship, we submit this comment in strong support of Motion 25-1514. The motion is necessary because Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) engaged in actions throughout 2025 that exceeded its authority and deliberately undermined the appointment powers of City Council offices.

In July 2025, the Van Nuys Airport Manager, Jacob Haik, carried out an **ultra vires removal** of CAC members, announced publicly in August 2025. This action was taken without any operative authority or direction from the Board of Airport Commissioners (BOAC) and in direct conflict with the CAC bylaws and long-established precedent governing City Councilmembers' appointing authority. LAWA withheld the governing resolutions it *claimed* justified its actions, obstructing CAC members, BOAC, Council offices, and the public from understanding the basis of its assertions.

QSWH's subsequent production of the resolutions Jacob Haik cited as granting him authority **confirmed** that **no such language existed**. Both official City records and the CAC bylaws directly contradicted Haik's claims, demonstrating that the justification he asserted had no basis in any operative document.

Rather than address this unauthorized conduct, BOAC later adopted [Resolution No. 28254](#) on October 16, 2025, relying on the same and similar false claims asserted by Jacob Haik during the meeting. This resolution attempted to retroactively authorize LAWA's earlier removals and imposed new restrictions and residency requirements solely on City Council appointees, while exempting BOAC's own appointees and those of the Mayor. This double standard reduced Council authority, perceivably weakened community representation, and effectively rewarded LAWA's prior misconduct.

These actions occurred alongside additional concerns, including LAWA's failures to provide timely access to materials for public review and **omissions of essential information** related to the justification of such actions.

Motion 25-1514 serves to highlight wrongdoing by Jacob Haik and LAWA and provides the necessary **corrective framework for BOAC to begin cooperative governance with our elected officials**. We strongly support its directives requiring LAWA to:

- Provide recommendations on how Council should review any proposed changes to CAC composition; and
- Compile all past and future CAC bylaw changes into a single, authoritative, publicly accessible document.

These steps are essential to restoring transparency, preventing further administrative overreach, and ensuring that the CAC operates under clear, lawful, and Council-directed governance—rather than the manipulation of the very body it is designed to oversee. **We urge full adoption of Motion 25-1514, and we further encourage the City Council to reevaluate future BOAC appointments in light of the demonstrated lack of cooperative governance and the blatant double standard imposed against Council authority in Resolution 28254.**

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Name: Victoria Miller

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello. By way of introduction, my name is Victoria Miller, and I am a 30+ year resident of Encino. I previously served as the elected Business Representative and Vice President of the Encino Neighborhood Council for 13 years, where I also served as the Chair of the Encino Neighborhood Council Airport Committee. For the past year+ I have served as a Board Member on the Encino Property Owners Association (EPOA), where I currently Chair the EPOA's Airport Committee. I am writing to support CF 25-1514 which moves to correct the unlawful removal of four Los Angeles City Council VNY CAC appointees. This blatant political move goes against the VNY CAC Bylaws at the very least, and is a major overstep by LAWA, which was sanctioned by the BOAC. This is especially poignant in that only City Council appointees were targeted in this change requiring an appointee to live in a district they were appointed to. For example, the VNY CAC chair does not live in Los Angeles County, but rather Ventura County. In closing I would like to thank my Councilmember, Nithya Raman, her staff, and also Councilmember Padilla and her staff for standing up for their constituents to ensure that we have proper representation on the VNY CAC. Sincerely, Victoria Miller Encino 91436 Encino Property Owners Association Board Member + Airport Committee Chair

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Name: Wayne Williams

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Wayne Williams, and I served for over 20 years on the VNY CAC, but was unceremoniously removed by LAWA from my position as Vice Chairman by the unfounded actions of LAWA staff who had no right to remove myself and other members of the CAC. They unlawfully and without authority, removed four city council CAC appointees because their representation of the community was starting to make meaningful recommendations through CAC and pushing back on their airport jet expansion plans. Additionally, I want to express and note, the inappropriateness of BOAC's action in restricting City Council's appointees but not all appointing authorities equally. I want to thank the community for their support of my work during my tenure, where I was directly involved in implementing recommendations that became both local and nationwide actions to decrease the impact of noise at VNY. Specifically the removal of Stage 2 Jets, voluntary Night Time Curfews and many other important recommendations. I also want to thank Council Member Ramen and her staff for their efforts in bringing this egregious and deceptive action by LAWA VNY staff to the awareness of the public.