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Keeping the Glendale Municipal Airport Community Informed



Carl Newman, A.A.E. **Glendale Municipal Airport Administrator**

Mr. Carl Newman has almost 40 years of aviation experience. He is currently the Airport Administrator (Manager) for the Glendale Municipal Airport and supervises, manages, plans, organizes, and directs the operations, development and administrative activities at the Airport.

Before this, he served as the CEO of the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (JMAA) in Jackson, Mississippi. In that role, he was responsible for developing the airport system's strategic vision, leading staff in the day-to-day operation of two airports, representing the authority with business and community leaders and the aviation industry. He was also responsible for the capital development program and growing aeronautical and non-aeronautical revenues while overseeing revenue generation aspects, including the JMAA's business development, air service development, marketing, real estate development, and properties departments.

Prior to that, Newman served as the General Manager for the Houston Airport System's George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH). His duties and responsibilities included the daily operations of Houston's largest airport and the development and implementation of policies and procedures. He also coordinated the preparation, implementation and monitoring of the budget and expenditures for IAH, among other duties.

Newman has also served as the Assistant Aviation Director (COO) at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport and held various other leadership positions, including Deputy Aviation Director, Facilities Superintendent, and Airside Operations Manager.

He is a former board member for the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) and served on the Executive Committee of the organization. He is a past Chairman of the organization. Newman is also a Past Chair of the Operations, Planning and Safety Subcommittee for AAAE and served as the Second Vice President of the Southwest Chapter of AAAE. He also served on the board for the Central Arizona Chapter of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators. While in Jackson, Mississippi, Newman served on several boards, including the East Metro Corridor Commission, the West Rankin Utility Authority, the Jackson Partnership, the Mississippi Airports Association and Greater Jackson Chamber.

He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration from the University of Arizona and a Masters of Aeronautical Science degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.



AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS UPDATE

- **JULY 2020 AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS** (Takeoffs and Landings) -5,600
 - Approximately 11% below July 2019
 - 56,074 for CY20 which is flat as compared to CY19

GENERAL AIRPORT UPDATES

AIRPORT PROJECTS & OUTREACH

- Dibble Engineering has begun design of the Taxiway Alpha Mill and Overlay project. Geotechnical, archeology and biology surveys are complete. This puts us on target to complete design on February 18, 2021 and complete the bid process by March 25, 2021.
- The design and construction of the project will be funded mostly by FAA and ADOT grants.

• **FAA & ADOT GRANT ACTIONS**

- Staff have submitted invoices for \$47,361.33 of the \$69,000 CARES Grant.

• **AIRPORT ISSUES & EVENTS**

- No noise complaints were received in July.

SOUTH RAMP NEAR TOWER CRACK SEAL & OVERLAY

As many of you are aware, the apron east of the Glendale Airport Tower is severely deteriorated. The apron is planned to be reconstructed during the 5-year Airport Capital Improvement Program; however, reconstruction will not occur within the next 2 to 3 years.

Airport staff is working with Sunland Asphalt to crack seal and seal coat the area to avoid closing the ramp for an extensive period. Tie-downs numbered 1 through 67 are affected. The aerial photograph below outlines the impacted area.

The work will take place Oct. 7 through Oct. 10. All aircraft in the affected area need to temporarily relocate to other tie-downs on the ramp north of the affected area. Aircraft need to be moved before Monday, Sept. 21.

If an aircraft owner cannot move his or her aircraft, several business tenants at the airport are available to assist, including but not limited to:

Fox Aviation - 602-628-6029 • Glendale Aero Services - 623-877-3333
SkyQuest - 623-930-3788

Please contact Jim Gum at 602-930-4742 or jgum@glendaleaz.com for a temporary tie down location assignment. Aircraft owners can move back to their spots immediately after the ramp is striped and the paint dries.

TAXIWAY 'A' MILL & OVERLAY PROJECT

Dibble Engineering has been hired by the city of Glendale to provide Design and Bid Phase Services for the rehabilitation of Taxiway Alpha ('A'), the stabilization of taxiway shoulders, and the realignment of connector Taxiways 'A4' and 'A6' at the Glendale Municipal Airport.

This project is expected to include a mill and overlay of up to 2 ½ inches of existing asphalt along the entire length of Taxiway 'A.' The rehabilitation work will also include the connector taxiways up to the mandatory hold position markings. Additionally, identified areas of alligator cracking along Taxiway 'A' could indicate a subsurface distress issue. Therefore, isolated locations of full-depth rehabilitation of the pavement structural section will also be included. All pavement markings will be replaced as part of the project and soil stabilization for the unpaved taxiway shoulders.

Dibble has begun the design of the project and geotechnical, archeology and biology surveys are complete. This puts us on target to complete the design on Feb. 18, 2021, and complete the bid process by March 25, 2021. The design and construction of the project will be funded mostly by FAA and ADOT grants.



MEET YOUR... AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER



"Meet Your Air Traffic Controller" will be a feature of the next several issues of GEU Partners News, and this issue we're starting with the manager of the Glendale Airport Tower, Mr. Basil "Mike" Allen.

Mike was born in Jamaica and came to the US when he was 18, joining the USAF shortly after. He became an air traffic controller and was assigned to several overseas posts before retiring from the military in 1997. He joined Serco Inc. that same year and has been at Glendale since (the Tower at Glendale Municipal Airport is a contract tower and Serco has the current contract).

Here is what Mike has to say;

The job itself is not hard, but there are several things that influence your decision-making, which changes each second.

Air traffic control is challenging and depends on timely information, control instructions and pilot reactions to alleviate accidents and mistakes.

One of the most challenging parts is the language barrier posed by international students and pilots that don't keep up with the changes.

Pilots can help by responding to ATC instructions with the correct read-back and the use of their call sign. This would eliminate repeat transmissions and frequency congestion.

The only thing I would try to change here at Glendale Airport is that pilots who are only doing recreational flying should refrain from flying when the pattern is saturated with pilots in training. This is usually hard in the summertime because most pilots fly during the mornings when the weather is a bit cooler.

ATC is a great occupation, and I would not change it for anything.

FOX HANGER CONSTRUCTION

By: Carl Newman

If you have driven around the airfield or along Glen Harbor Boulevard south of the Airport Terminal lately, you could not help but notice a large building under construction. Steve and Mike Fox are constructing a new hangar facility. The Foxes currently conduct business out of a hangar in Air Park 2, where they repair their fleet of aircraft for their flight school operating out of the Goodyear Airport. They are leasing that facility, which is a bit undersized for their operation, so they decided to construct a facility suited to fit their needs.

When the new hangar is complete, it will be the largest independent hangar at the Glendale Municipal Airport. According to Steve Fox, it will cover an area of approximately 20,000 sq. ft. The hangar door width will be 103 ft. and accommodate aircraft tail heights of 27 ft., large enough for a Gulfstream 550. Fox says that he also plans to use the facility to operate, Fly Glendale Flight School.

Approximately 10,000 sq. ft. of the building will be devoted to space for offices, classrooms, and a lobby. The facility will eventually house a flight simulator. Fox also mentioned the facility could be used for special events saying, "we can host one hell of a party!"

The foundation has been built, the slab has been poured, and steel is being erected by "A Shade Above," owned by Adam Butler. A Shade Above has erected many of the box hangars on the south end of the airport. The building is expected to be occupied by Jan. 1, 2021, and we are all looking forward to it!

AIRPORT RULES & REGULATIONS UPDATE

Many have asked recently why there is a need to update airport rules and regulations. The Glendale rules and regulations were last updated in 2014, and a lot has changed since then. Take the 2016 FAA Final Rule on Standards for the use of hangars, the judgment regarding the Glendale Airports Pilots Association v. City of Glendale, and the judgment regarding the Valley Aviation Services v. City of Glendale, for example. The update is necessary to bring our rules and regulations into compliance with each of these issues.

We want to give as many people as possible a chance to comment on the updates, so we're extending the comment period to Sept. 8. Please submit comments to GEUAirport@glendaleaz.com.

We also want to remind you that a follow-up meeting with the Glendale Hangar Association Presidents was rescheduled for Sept. 21.

GLENDALE AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

– Water & Sewer Pipeline Installation Begins Soon –

Construction is scheduled to begin in early August for water and sewer pipeline installation in Glendale Ave., with expected completion in Spring 2021. Following this work, storm drain installation and full reconstruction of Glendale Ave. will take place.

CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS: Work will take place primarily during daytime hours, weekdays; however, the contractor may need to work nights or weekends based on materials scheduling, or peak demand periods for water or sewer processes.

- Water pipeline work will begin at 99th Avenue to install lateral lines and following that work, crews will begin main pipeline installation in the roadway moving in a westerly direction.
- Sewer pipeline work will begin on the south side of Glendale Avenue just east of the City of Glendale Landfill where the pipe crosses from north to south. This pipeline installation will move in an easterly direction.
- Roads will remain open for travel with lane restrictions to shift traffic away from the work zone.
- Access to businesses, facilities and residences will be maintained.
- You will be notified in advance of any planned disruption to your water or wastewater service.

Project Info:
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