

CITY OF FORT WORTH  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE  
Thursday, September 25, 1952

Attending:

J. D. Powell  
H. H. Franks  
M. H. Huffman  
W. S. Wallace  
D. L. Lewis  
J. R. Pelich  
R. H. Brooks  
W. A. Rubottom  
C. M. Thelin  
J. T. Matthews  
A. L. Reader  
W. A. Satterwhite

Representing

C.A.A. Regional Office  
Thos. S. Byrne, Inc.  
Fort Worth Air Terminal, Inc.  
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Wyatt C. Hedrick  
Architect  
American Airlines, Inc.  
City of Fort Worth  
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Meeting convened at 10:45 a.m.

Mr. Thelin advised that the Fencing contract has been awarded to the Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp. on their low bid, including the fencing around the proposed Heliport. The paving of the Heliport will be added to the present contract with Texas Bitulithic Company as a change order. The Heliport will be built as an experimental project, to include wider access gate 12 feet in width and 12-foot wide approach walk for access of fire truck in case of emergency. Paving of the walk will be of 7" concrete, the same as roadway paving for this purpose.

The City of Fort Worth contemplates submitting an application for amendment to the description of Project No. 9-41-085-107 to include an additional Water Well and Landscaping of the area west of the Terminal Building. The latest estimate of the cost of landscaping is to include grassing and sodding of the entire area in the esplanade. Preliminary plans will be submitted to C.A.A. for the landscaping and Water Well.

It was stated that water through the pump station will be available at American Airlines Hangar and Office Building prior to the party to be held on September 27, 1952. This water service to be used for all purposes except drinking purposes. The Sewage Treatment plant will not be in operation at this time, but can be put in operation when needed. The construction of the Water Plant is practically complete with the exception of installing the pressure tanks and sterilizing the distribution lines. The Lone Star Gas Company has not installed gas service in the water plant to date. The delay is caused by inability to secure the necessary easements for constructing lines on the field.

Mr. West of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp. appeared and submitted a steel post which they propose to be substituted for cedar posts in the stock fence to be built around the airport. No additional cost will be added to the contract and the proposal met with unanimous approval. Construction will proceed on this basis. Mr. Thelin submitted a proposed plan of fence relocation at the SE corner of the Field near the Instrument Landing System localizer to provide access for property owners on adjacent land. The plan was approved.

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The steel for the gasoline storage tanks has been approved for allotment during the 1st Quarter of 1953. Steel pipe for the lines is to be delivered during September.

Mr. Thelin advised that Change Order No. 8 on the Terminal Building, Project -004, is to be submitted to the City Council at the next meeting.

Mr. Franks advised that all construction work on the Office and Hangar Building will be completed this week. Final acceptance can be made with the exception of testing gas lines and air-conditioning. It is proposed to continue with the landscaping around the building at an early date. Insurance coverage will be turned over to the City of Fort Worth by the contractor.

Some discussion arose with reference to the paving of the automobile parking lot. Mr. Huffman stated objection to the use of salvage Oklahoma Rock Asphalt in this project. Mr. Lewis explained the proposed method of construction as shown in the specifications and bids submitted by the contractor. It was proposed to mix the asphalt into the gravel base material for better stabilization. Also, considerable discussion was held about the proposed FREE parking lot. Mr. Powell was unable to submit a definite answer at this time regarding C.A.A. participation in the cost of this project. Plans and estimate of cost will be submitted to the CAA for their consideration.

Mr. Thelin stated that after the meeting to be held September 30th, regarding the completion of existing projects, it may be possible to set a proposed date for the opening of the airport.

Mr. Wallace requested that a road be constructed on the east side of the Incinerator to get access for truck in emptying furnace. A road will be provided for this purpose.

Mr. Brooks was advised that a change order would be submitted to provide for fencing along the southeast corner of the American Airlines automobile parking lot from the Main Entrance Drive to the American Airlines hangar.

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held in four weeks, on Thursday October 23rd, and thereafter once each month.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Department of Public Works  
C. M. Thelin, Director