

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF  
THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 17-09**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT FLIGHTS OVER THE TOWN, INCREASE THE ALTITUDE OF AIRCRAFT WHEN ARRIVING OVER THE TOWN AND MAKING RUNWAY 24 THE PREFERRED RUNWAY AT NIGHT; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) implemented on September 30, 2008 a redesign of the airspace impacting arrivals and departures for the Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW) in Fort Myers, Florida, and**

**WHEREAS, following the redesign, aircraft fly over the southern half of the Town of Fort Myers Beach for the first time and the number of over flights for the entire Town of Fort Myers Beach increased significantly, and**

**WHEREAS, the FAA airspace redesign for RSW was implemented without a public hearing, and**

**WHEREAS, the Town of Fort Myers Beach has been working with the FAA and RSW to implement quality of life improvements for the Town, in a way that is consistent with FAA NextGen and Metroplex programs, is consistent with RSW Part 150 noise recommendations and will not negatively impact other communities surrounding RSW, and**

**WHEREAS, additional information and issues impacting residents and visitors of the Town of Fort Myers Beach have arisen since Resolutions Nos. 09-03, 12-02 and 13-01 were approved by Town Council on March 16, 2009, January 3, 2012 and January 7, 2013 respectively, and**

**WHEREAS, low flying aircraft continue to fly over highly populated Fort Myers Beach and its environmentally sensitive areas in increasing numbers, and**

**WHEREAS, island residents and visitors continue to be subjected to aircraft noise that starts before 5 AM and lasts well after midnight, and**

**WHEREAS, there have been air quality concerns raised from the smell of burned aircraft fuel and residue buildup on surfaces below aircraft arrival routes, and**

**WHEREAS, there have been safety concerns raised due to birds striking aircraft at low altitudes and laser beams being aimed at aircraft.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. The above recitals as set forth in the various “Whereas” clauses are hereby adopted and incorporated into the body of this Resolution.**

Section 2. The Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida does hereby request that the number of over flights be significantly reduced by making the Back Bay RNAV Visual Approach public so that controllers can ask pilots to follow the established routes over Estero Bay rather than over Estero Island.

Section 3. The Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida does hereby request that arrival routes and procedures for Runway 06 be further changed to allow aircraft to turn to the runway like is currently allowed for aircraft arriving on Runway 24 thereby reducing the number of over flights for Estero Island.

Section 4. The Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida does hereby request that all aircraft that must fly over Estero Island be above 3,000 ft, whether flying under visual (VFR) or instrument (IFR) conditions until east of Estero Island.

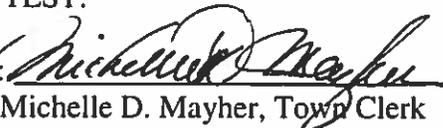
Section 5. The Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida does hereby request that Runway 24 operate as the designated preferred runway during nighttime operation, as recommended by the RSW Part 150 Noise Study.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Town Council upon a motion by Council Member Shamp and seconded by Council Member Cereceda, and upon being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

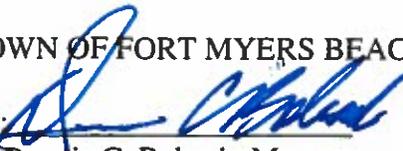
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| Dennis C. Boback, Mayor        | aye | Tracey Gore, Vice Mayor      | aye |
| Anita Cereceda, Council Member | aye | Joanne Shamp, Council Member | aye |
| Bruce Butcher, Council Member  | aye |                              |     |

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2017

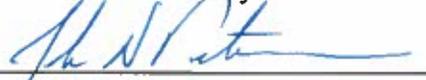
ATTEST:

By:   
Michelle D. Mayher, Town Clerk

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH

By:   
Dennis C. Boback, Mayor

Approved as to form by:

  
Peterson Law Group, Town Attorney