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Airport Authority to Host Six More Informational Sessions on Detroit Metropolitan Airport Master Plan

The Wayne County Airport Authority will host six additional public informational “Open Houses” to provide local community members with the opportunity to learn more about the details of the Authority’s proposed Master Plan for Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport.

“The Airport Authority has been and remains committed to developing an Airport Master Plan for Detroit Metro that meets the needs of the entire region we serve,” said Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Lester Robinson. “These additional sessions will help advance our effort to include as much public input as possible in the planning process and to develop the Master Plan in the most transparent manner possible.”

The Airport Master Plan Open House sessions will be held:

Wed., April 23

**1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.**

Tues., April 29

**9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.**

Thurs., May 1

**9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.**

All six Open House sessions will provide the same resources but the schedule is staggered across three dates and time slots to maximize community participation. Details about the Master Plan will be provided using informational displays (including large charts and maps) and representatives from the Airport Authority’s planning team will be available throughout each session to personally address each participant’s questions and concerns. Community members are encouraged to stop-by at any time during any of the Open Houses and to stay until all of their questions are answered.

“By providing 18 hours of availability across three different dates when airport stakeholders can drop-in at their leisure, this ‘Open House’ format will provide community members with several chances to interact one-on-one directly with a member of the Authority’s planning team,” Robinson said.

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At its meeting on March 20, the Airport Authority Board elected to defer action on the Airport's proposed Master Plan to its May 22 meeting to allow additional time for community concerns to be addressed.

The Federal Aviation Administration estimates that passenger traffic at Detroit Metro Airport will increase an average of 2.3% annually. As a result, Detroit Metro expects to see nearly 60 million passengers and more than 800,000 take-offs and landings each year by 2025.

An airport "Master Plan" is required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) from any airport that plans to seek federal funding for airport development projects. The purpose of Detroit Metropolitan Airport's proposed Master Plan is to develop a basic layout of physical improvements that will be needed if the demand and activity increase to the levels expected.

"A strong Master Plan is essential to ensuring that Airport remains among the safest, most reliable and most efficient air transport hubs in the world and a powerful economic engine for Southeast Michigan," Robinson added.

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NB: All six Open House sessions will be conducted at the Metropolitan Hotel, 31500 Wick Road in Romulus. See attached promotion flyer for map and directions.

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport

Master Plan Open House

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6 pm - 9 pm

APRIL 29th

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9 am - 12 pm
6 pm - 9 pm

MAY 1st

Time:

9 am - 12 pm
1 pm - 4 pm

Location: The Metropolitan Hotel, 31500 Wick Road, Romulus, MI

The Wayne County Airport Authority will host six Open Houses to provide area residents and businesses with additional opportunities to learn about the Airport Authority's Master Plan for Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport. All six sessions will provide the same resources but will be held at different times and on different dates to maximize community participation. Details about the Master Plan will be provided using informational displays (including large charts and maps), and representatives from the Airport Authority's planning team will be available throughout each session to personally address your questions and concerns. Feel free to stop by at any time during one of the six Open Houses and stay until all of your questions are answered.

For more information regarding the Master Plan Open House contact Michelle Plawecki at (734) 955-3280.



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- Continue onto Wick Road

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- Right on Wick Road

