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In Control: Airport Advisory Commission Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Aviation Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Jesus H. Saenz Jr.

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Air Service Update

SUMMARY:

Chief Air Service Officer Brian Pratte will provide a briefing to the Airport Advisory Commission on the status of air service at the San Antonio International Airport.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Each year, the Airport Advisory Commission receives a formal briefing on the status of air service at the San Antonio International Airport, including an overview of new or recently-announced routes or airlines to the airport. With the recently held Routes Americas 2022 conference in San Antonio, the Airport Advisory Commission requested an update from Chief Air Service Officer Brian Pratte. During the briefing, Mr. Pratte will discuss the routes provided on the 13 airlines serving San Antonio and discuss the return of air travel in the post-COVID environment.

At the last briefing, held in July 2021, Mr. Pratte noted that the San Antonio International Airport was experiencing a strong return of air service especially for the international markets. 2021 ended with a total of 7,464,662 passengers flying through San Antonio International Airport during the year, exceeding 2020 levels by 85%. Compared to pre-pandemic, the airport's total passenger counts reached 72% of levels seen during the record-breaking year of 2019. Compared to 2019, domestic traffic was down 32%, while international traffic increased a remarkable 59%. Air travel was impacted by the delta and omnicron variants which hit in late summer and December.

ISSUE:

This briefing will provide information on air service at San Antonio International Airport.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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ALTERNATIVES:

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RECOMMENDATION:

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