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Message	I just learned that the city council will be discussing the possibility of air service being re-established between the Salem and Portland Airports. Do not spend any city money on this. We have far greater needs that will serve more citizens than air service for the privileged few that would use it. We have committed to lowering our climate emissions. This will increase them. Please do not vote in favor of any plan to bring air service to Salem.

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From: [Kim Davis](#)
To: [citycouncil](#); [CityRecorder](#)
Cc: [Chuck Bennett](#); [Chuck Bennett](#)
Subject: Long term airport planning
Date: Saturday, February 13, 2021 1:50:58 PM

Dear Council Members:

While there is no public comment requested regarding your Feb 16 Council Work Session on Long term airport planning, I do feel compelled to bring to your attention considerable concern I have related to small aircraft continued use of leaded fuels. This national health concern has had little media attention, but warrants your consideration while making any plans to expand Salem's airport.

As a Salem resident who lives only a few miles from the airport, I will mention that the air and noise pollution are already posing significant problems, particularly from small private recreational planes that like to fly close to neighboring homes while preparing for landing. Knowing that our neighborhood lawns are being dusted with lead and other toxins are a significant issue that will need to be addressed, either sooner, through prevention, or later, through individuals' health care and governments' environmental cleanups. Further, it would appear any expansion of this airport would result in increased greenhouse gas emissions, which would contradict your own climate action plan and implementation efforts.

I hope that each of you will take these concerns into consideration as you begin deliberating the pros and cons of any long term plans.

<https://www.epa.gov/regulations-emissions-vehicles-and-engines/regulations-lead-emissions-aircraft>

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/lead-in-aviation-fuel/#:~:text=While%20jets%2C%20which%20comprise%20the,a%20real%20air%20quality%20issue.>

https://www.faa.gov/news/fact_sheets/news_story.cfm?newsId=14754

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/lead-fuel-airplanes_n_5213153

On behalf of my grandchildren' grandchildren,
Thank you.

Kim Davis
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From: [Jim Scheppke](#)
To: [CityRecorder](#)
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Subject: Public Comment on Long Term Airport Planning
Date: Saturday, February 13, 2021 12:23:08 PM

Dear Mayor and Councilors:

As you discuss long term airport planning next Tuesday night, I ask that you address these important issues and concerns of many in our community:

1) How are we going to deal with the proven health risks, especially to children, from the fact that we have yet to outlaw leaded fuel for aviation? Please read this article if you are unfamiliar with this issue:

https://www.salon.com/2013/09/08/living_near_an_airport_could_be_a_toxic_decision_partner/?fbclid=IwAR3t24u_0Co5UaNdwy6lZLPfe1gUQ7XXsJAfpFnQw8HZJix1vWn-Rnze8MM

What are the current estimates of lead emissions from the Salem Municipal airport? I saw an EPA report of emissions in 2014 that indicated that our airport might be responsible for as much as 2,000 pounds of lead emissions per year. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), "no level of lead in a child's blood can be specified as safe." Particulate emissions are also a concern. What is the current level of particulate emissions?

2) How would expansion of the Salem Municipal Airport, especially resumption of commercial air service, affect our ability to meet the Council's goal of reaching net zero GHG emissions by 2050 and to get halfway to that goal in less than 15 years?

3) Is the Strategic Business Plan created in 2019 in need of serious rethinking and revision in light of the pandemic? Many experts believe that the affect on business travel will be long-lasting, if not permanent. Business people have learned that it is much easier and cheaper to have a Zoom meeting than to endure the hassle and expense of flying to a meeting. Bill Gates is predicting a decline in business travel of more than 50% in the coming years:

https://www.cnbc.com/2020/11/17/coronavirus-bill-gates-says-more-than-50percent-of-business-travel-will-disappear-long-term.html?fbclid=IwAR19fxNaGp86nNpHNj5l8Ox2gi9yGaApdq_GEv_o02SDj-WS-vK_sSINejl

I hope these three important questions can be fully discussed at your work session. Thank you for your service.

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