

**MINUTES AT THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE COLUMBUS  
AIRPORT COMMISSION HELD AT THE COLUMBUS AIRPORT  
THURSDAY, MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

The following commission members were present for the entire meeting:

| <b><u>NAME</u></b>               | <b><u>EXPIRES</u></b> |
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| Mrs. Delois Marsh, Chairwoman    | December 31, 2027     |
| Mr. Kevin Howard, Treasurer      | December 31, 2029     |
| Mr. Austin Gower, Secretary      | December 31, 2028     |
| Mr. Philip Thayer, Vice Chairman | December 31, 2030     |

**Staff Members Present:**

Amber Clark, Airport Director  
Carolyn Mills, HR Manager  
Timothy Strickland, Finance Director  
Darryl Graham, FBO Manager  
Josh Patton, Maintenance Manager  
Sonya Overton, Director of Marketing & Air Service Development  
Jarred Hubbard, Chief Public Safety Officer  
Zack Lundy, Administrative Coordinator

**BUSINESS OF THE MEETING**

Mrs. Marsh called the March 19th ,2026, Commission Meeting to order at 9:31am

**NOMINATION OF COMMISSION SEAT**

Mrs. Marsh nominated Daria Cruzen to fill the open Commission Seat.

Motion by Mr. Thayer to approve the nomination of Daria Cruzen to fulfil the open Commission seat, seconded by Mr. Howard and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

**OTHER MATTERS**

Mr. Tom Morpeth asked if the Commission could open Commission seats to people who live in Harris County and other counties within the region.

Mrs. Marsh replied that at the City Council meeting his request would be fulfilled as the Commission had the foresight to see this need. Mrs. Marsh also mentioned that Ms. Daria Cruzen was a Harris County resident.

Mr. Morpeth mentioned how his wife was nominated for a Commission seat before and did not qualify as he was not a Muscogee County resident.

Mrs. Marsh explained that the Commission has been working with Coumbus City Council and that City Council will change the bylaws on the March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Columbus City Council meeting.

Mr. Thayer stated that the City Council meeting, City Council will be amending the amending resolution.

Mr. and Mrs. Morpeth expressed their appreciation of the Airport as well as their service within EAA.

Mrs. Marsh asked for a motion to move into Executive Session.

Motioned by Mr. Thayer and seconded by Mr. Howard and unanimously approved by the Commission Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Commission meeting moved to executive session. Mr. Howard motioned to move out of executive session, seconded by Mr. Thayer and unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes:4 Nays: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 AM

APPROVED:

  
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Zack Lundy,  
Administrative Coordinator



Delois Dee Marsh, Chairwoman