

Policy 7.3.27 NASA Ames / Moffett Field Complex

POLICY PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to provide direction on the City's policies and positions as they relate to NASA Ames and Moffett Field.

POLICY STATEMENT:

1. Support NASA/Ames as the lead tenant of the Moffett Complex and steward of a federal, limited-use airfield.
2. Support ongoing cooperation between the City of Sunnyvale, the City of Mountain View and NASA/Ames, including developing and partnering with current or potential tenants, and working on the following areas of partnership:
 - A. California Air and Space Center.
 - B. Support the University Affiliated Research Center at the NASA Research Park.
 - C. Support the university partnerships at the NASA Research Park to meet future workforce needs of Sunnyvale businesses through internship programs, onsite continuing education and the development of new education curricula to support emerging technologies.
 - D. Support the development of the NASA Research Park as an incubator of emerging industry business start-ups and new products for existing industry clusters: Astrobiology, Biotechnology, Information technology, and Nanotechnology.
3. Support ancillary and limited use of a government airfield for tenants of a government facility.
4. The City of Sunnyvale (and the City of Mountain View) will be the lead local government agencies to examine the issues related to alternative land uses at the Ames/Moffett Federal Complex. Oppose efforts that would allow non-contiguous jurisdictions to determine future uses.
5. Oppose commercial aviation, general aviation and air cargo at Moffett Federal Airfield.
6. Provide support to NASA as the lead agency in analysis and development of alternative uses, recognizing that NASA and the federal government are the

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ultimate decision-makers on implementation of feasible uses and future decisions related to Moffett Federal Complex.

7. Participate in any regional or other discussions and decisions (including legislation or administrative action) on potential uses of NASA Ames/Moffett Federal Complex, including any aviation uses.
8. Support efforts to remove Moffett Field as a reliever airport for San Jose International Airport and from the Regional Airport System Plan.
9. Support adequate funding for NASA programs that strengthen the overall research and development programs at the NASA Ames/Moffett Federal Complex.
10. Support safety policies and procedures, for removing and/or storing ordnance from the Moffett complex, that ensure the protection of surrounding populations and the environment.
11. Support efforts to utilize assets at the Moffett Federal Complex in the national effort to combat weapons of mass destruction.
12. Support efforts to maintain the 129th Rescue Wing [or similar military presence] at Moffett Federal Airfield. Oppose relocation efforts.
13. Support the use of Federal funds to clean and restore Hangar One at Moffett Field so that it is habitable and code-compliant.
14. Support collaborative efforts to enhance emergency preparedness planning, coordination and disaster mitigation, particularly to the extent any such effort can be located at the Moffett Federal Complex and/or compliment the tenants at Moffett.

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Lead Department: Office of the City Manager

For reference, see also: none