



Governance Committee Meeting

April 23, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

NOACA Offices, 1299 Superior Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44114

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NOACA will **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion, **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure, and **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **SUPPORT** economic development and **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.



NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governance Committee Members

Morris W. Beverage III, Commissioner, Lake County
Justin Bibb, Mayor, City of Cleveland
Carolyn Brakey, Commissioner, Geauga County
James W. Dvorak, Commissioner, Geauga County
Aaron Harrison, Commissioner, Medina County
Jeff Riddell, Commissioner, Lorain County

FROM: Chris Ronayne, Chair
County Executive, Cuyahoga County

DATE: April 17, 2026

RE: Governance Committee

Attached please find materials for the Governance Committee meeting on **Thursday, April 23, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at NOACA's Offices, 1299 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.**

Please note that in addition to the members listed above, any interested Board members are welcome to attend. Notice of this meeting has been publicly posted, and major public media has been notified.



Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency
Friday, April 23, 2026
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The public can view the meeting live at: youtube.com/live/uO7zeCcWe4A?feature=share

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

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1. Call to Order	
a. Pledge of Allegiance	
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7. Old Business	
8. New Business	
9. Adjourn	

Next Meeting: **Friday, May 8, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**
NOACA Offices, 1299 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio



**NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY
M E M O R A N D U M**

TO: NOACA Governance Committee
FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer
DATE: April 17, 2026
RE: **Aviation Advisory Council**

ACTION REQUESTED

No action is requested. This item is for information and discussion.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION

At the Governance Committee meeting on February 13 a recommendation was made for the creation of an aviation subcommittee or council. The goal of this group would be to provide a forum for local elected officials and subject matter experts to convene to discuss and collaborate on aviation, air mobility, and air-related transportation planning issues affecting Northeast Ohio. Members could advise on the integration of aviation considerations into NOACA's long-range transportation plan, transportation improvement program, and related planning documents. In addition, members could direct NOACA on aviation-related studies, grants, policies, and emerging technologies as they relate to regional transportation.

Staff have drafted a charter for an Aviation Advisory Council for the Committee's review and input. This charter includes the proposed membership, goals, and activities of the Council and notes that the Council would report to the Transportation Subcommittee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact for this item.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS

Based on the Committee's input, additional research will be conducted, and the proposed charter and membership list amended as needed.

Attachment 1: Draft Charter for an Aviation Advisory Council

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NOACA AVIATION ADVISORY COUNCIL CHARTER

PURPOSE: The Aviation Advisory Council (AAC) serves as a technical and advisory body to support NOACA's responsibilities related to the region's aviation system. The AAC provides a forum for coordination among commercial service airports, general aviation facilities, public agencies, and aviation stakeholders to ensure that aviation infrastructure and services are effectively integrated into the region's multimodal transportation system and planning framework.

GOALS: The goals of the Aviation Advisory Council are to:

- Promote a safe, efficient, and resilient regional aviation system.
- Ensure alignment between aviation planning and regional transportation, land use, and economic development goals.
- Support coordination of aviation-related planning.
- Elevate the role of aviation in regional mobility, freight movement, emergency response, and economic competitiveness.

ACTIVITIES: The Council will:

- Provide technical recommendations to NOACA's staff, subcommittees, committees, and Board of Directors on aviation-related matters.
- Advise on key issues, risks, and opportunities affecting the regional aviation system.
- Facilitate information sharing and collaboration across jurisdictions and sectors and encourage best practices
- Provide recommendations on policy, infrastructure, and partnerships needed to support growth and innovation.
- Establish regional aviation planning goals.

MEMBERSHIP: Membership of the Council shall consist of air and aviation subject matter experts with the knowledge and expertise necessary to accomplish the Council's purpose, with at least one member representing each of the following:

- Five (5) Commissioners or County Executive from each of the counties in the NOACA region
- The Mayor of the city with the largest airport in the region (City of Cleveland)
- The President of City Council or the Chair of its Transportation Committee for the city with the largest airport in the region (City of Cleveland)
- Five (5) airport directors of public airports in each of the five counties
- Airport Director of a public airport of the largest airport in the region (City of Cleveland)
- One (1) member representing ODOT's Office of Aviation
- One (1) member representing the Advanced Air Mobility or Uncrewed Aircraft Systems (UAS) industry
- One (1) member representing an airport, aviation, or pilot professional association
- One (1) member representing fixed base operators and/or direct service providers

REPORTING

RELATIONSHIP: The Council reports to the Transportation Subcommittee.

MEETINGS: The Council will hold regular meetings on a quarterly basis. Special meetings may be called as needed. A majority of Council members shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

AGENDA AND MINUTES:

The Chair will be responsible for establishing agendas for meetings, which will be sent to Council members at least seven days in advance of the meeting. Minutes will be approved by Council members at the following meeting.

STAFFING: Agency staff shall provide the Council with administrative and technical support as directed by the chair.

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**NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY
M E M O R A N D U M**

TO: NOACA Governance Committee
FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer
DATE: April 17, 2026
RE: **Executive Committee Review**

ACTION REQUESTED

No action is requested. This item is for information and discussion.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION

Beginning at meetings last year, and continuing into the Committee’s last meeting on February 13, the Governance Committee has been reviewing the makeup of NOACA’s Executive Committee. The members of the Executive Committee are outlined in Section 6.3 of [NOACA’s Code of Regulations](#):

“The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President (if any), Secretary, Treasurer, immediate past President of the Board of Directors and Mayor of the largest city in the five-county region. Executive Committee membership shall also include at least one member of the governing officers of each county. The Mayor of the largest city in the five-county region shall not be considered a county representative for this purpose.”

Historically, the criteria for Executive Committee membership (officers and geographic representation) are overlaid. The result of this is six officer positions that rotate between members representing each county and the city of Cleveland. For example:

President:	City of Cleveland
First Vice President:	Geauga County
Second Vice President:	Lorain County
Secretary:	Lake County
Treasurer:	Medina County
Immediate Past President:	Cuyahoga County

The Governance Committee expressed an intention to continue to evaluate whether this 6-member structure aligns with and enables the purpose and functions of the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact for this item.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS

If directed by the Committee, further research and analysis will be undertaken.

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TRAVEL OPTIONS FOR NOACA MEETINGS

LOCATION

NOACA is conveniently located in Cleveland's central business district at 1299 Superior Avenue, on the NW corner of Superior and E. 13th Street.

TRANSIT & BICYCLE TRAVEL TO NOACA

NOACA is accessible by transit and bike.

The NOACA office building is situated on several major and minor bus routes. You can plan your transit trip to NOACA by using trip planner tools or with information provided by the region's public transit agencies:

- [GCRTA Trip Planner](#)
- [Geauga County Transit](#)
- [Laketran Trip Planner](#)
- [Lorain County Transit service](#)
- [Medina County Transit](#)

Bikes may be stored and locked at U-racks located directly in front of the building.

PARKING (see map)

The following map shows parking facilities in the vicinity of the NOACA building. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer reimbursement for parking.

On-street, metered parking is also available for up to 2-hour periods along E. 13th Street north of Superior Avenue. Please heed parking signs and note any time restrictions. Payment can be made at these meters with credit card or by using the [ParkMobile](#) mobile device application.

Street parking is also available along Rockwell Avenue, east of E. 13th Street.

TRAVEL ASSISTANCE AND SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION

If you have further questions about parking or need assistance with travel to or special accommodation at NOACA, please contact Lindy Burt at 216-241-2414, x. 108.

