

AVIATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Governance Committee

April 23, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

None

FORMATION

NOACA Code of Regulations Section 6.9(c) states:

- The Board of Directors, or the Chair of any Subcommittee with the approval of the President of the Board, may establish additional Advisory Councils
- The purpose of such Advisory Councils shall be to provide advice and recommendations to Committees and Subcommittees relating to specific issues or technical areas
- Members shall consist of individuals with sufficient expertise to contribute to the mission and activities of the Advisory Council and need not be members of the Board of Directors
- At the time of its formation, an Advisory Council shall create a written statement of purpose to be distributed to the Committee or Subcommittee for review and comment.

DRAFT 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

DRAFT CHARTER: 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.

DRAFT CHARTER: 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

DRAFT CHARTER: 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 the following 17 members:

- Five (5) Commissioners or County Executive, one 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, one from each of the five counties in the NOACA region
- The 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

NEXT STEPS

- **Conduct any additional research**
- **Amend the proposed charter and membership list as needed**
 - Review & comment by Transportation Subcommittee



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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.