

AVIATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Governance Committee

May 8, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED

The Governance Committee is asked to consider recommending the Aviation Advisory Council charter to the Executive Committee for placement on the June 2026 Board of Directors meeting agenda.

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 guide NOACA's role in supporting the region's aviation system. The AAC provides a forum for coordination among airports, 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 and funding.
- 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 representatives of public airports and air and aviation subject matter experts with the knowledge and expertise necessary to accomplish the Council's purpose Membership shall consist of at least the following members:

- Five (5) Commissioners or County Executive, or their appointee, one from each of the counties in the NOACA region
- The Mayor of the city with the largest airport in the region, or their appointee
- The President of City Council or the Chair of its Transportation Committee for the city with the largest airport in the region, or their appointee

DRAFT CHARTER: MEMBERSHIP

- Five (5) airport directors of public airports, one from each of the five counties in the NOACA region
- The Airport Director of the largest public airport in the region
- One (1) member representing ODOT's Office of Aviation or DriveOhio
- Three (3) members representing the Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) or Uncrewed Aerial Systems (UAS) sector; an airport, aviation, or pilot professional association; and/or an airline, fixed base operator, or direct service provider
- Up to three (3) members appointed by the Chair of the Council having expertise as appropriate to accomplish the goals, purpose, and activities of the Council annually

NEXT STEPS

- Present concept & charter to the Transportation Subcommittee for review
- Present charter, membership list, and meeting dates to Board for approval

ACTION

Recommend this item to the Executive Committee for placement on the Board of Directors June 2026 meeting agenda:

- **Aviation Advisory Council Charter**



Motion
Second
Discussion
Put the Question





NOACA

Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency

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.