



December 15, 2022

Councilman John S. Lee  
9207 Oakdale Avenue, Suite 200  
Chatsworth, CA 91311

REQUEST to Open Council File

SUBJECT: A Moratorium on the Expansion of Van Nuys Airport / Bonseph Helinet Lease

Dear Councilmember Lee,

The North Hills West Neighborhood Council requests that you open a Council File to place a moratorium on all further growth and expansion projects and leases of the Van Nuys Airport (VNY) until the outdated seventeen-year-old Van Nuys Airport Master Plan be revised and updated with many opportunities for public comment and community input. This oversight has led to the erosion of transparency on the part of the Los Angeles World Airport (LAWA), which has acted to add extensive new facilities including leased hanger and office space, a US Customs and Border Protection Facility and runway and taxiway rehabilitation projects. None of these projects were brought before the public or the Van Nuys Airport Citizen's Advisory Commission (VNY CAC) for comment or input prior to the Board of Airport Commission's (BOAC) approval of such projects.

We also ask that the Board of Airport Commission (BOAC) remove from consideration any agenda items proposed by Bonseph Helinet until such items be brought before the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Committee (VNY CAC) and residents for public comment and review, since the proposed lease would quadruple the square footage of space dedicated to helicopter activity would have a negative environmental impact on the San Fernando Valley community by increasing noise, pollution, and visual blight; and would lead to the VNY airport becoming the future home for manned droned taxis.

The North Hills West Neighborhood Council at its regular General Board meeting of December 15, 2022 approved this statement by of Yeas \*\*, Nays \*\* Abstain \*\*.

Sincerely,

North Hills West Neighborhood Council.