



# City of Santa Monica MEDIA ALERT

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## **Cost to Shorten the Runway at Santa Monica Airport Approved by City Council**

SANTA MONICA, Calif. – Last night, on August 8, 2017, the Santa Monica City Council approved the a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,517,320 and contract to shorten the runway at Santa Monica Airport in alignment with our Consent Decree with the Federal Aviation Administration. Shortening the runway to 3,500 feet will reduce jet traffic, bringing immediate relief to neighboring residents through reduced noise and pollution.

Construction is set to begin this fall with completion by the end of 2017. It will initially be done at night to get the project done expeditiously while limiting impacts to aviation operations. Noise will be monitored and mitigated throughout the project. There will be a limited hard closure of 7 to 14 days. All impacted residents, businesses, and aviation tenants will be notified two weeks prior to the start of construction.

Here are the next steps by month:

- Final Design Completion - August 2017
- Site Preparation and Start of Construction - October 2017
- Construction Completion - December 2017

Here's a diagram of the shortened runway design:

