

### Munna Yasiri Comments to Questionnaire

1. I am against the Flying Cloud Airport expansion, because I believe it would not add to the overall quality of life in Eden Prairie.
2. Again, I don't believe an expansion would add to the quality of life of Eden Prairie residents.
3. No, it is not in the taxpayers' best interests to spend \$83M in this manner. The MAC is holding a public hearing on the 27<sup>th</sup> and proposing new higher rental rates and fees for the relievers, but even with these they have stated that there will be a shortfall in overall revenues from these airports. In light of recent proposals, I think the entire reliever system concept and usage should be examined (see my response to questions #5 and #6).
4. I don't believe in outsourcing government functions that involve security. It is in the best interests of the public to have these functions remain under public control and scrutiny, and to have greater accountability.
5. I would agree. STP Holman is the only reliever airport that is currently underutilized in terms of available lease space and it already has 5,000ft runways that have a capacity of 60,000lbs, so it would be both logical AND fiscally responsible to invest in a field that has existing capacity and available lease space.
  - a. NATA is an industry lobby organization, so they are doing exactly what they were established to do. Other individuals and entities are entitled to voice their opinions and if citizens disagree they should cast their votes for a candidate that does represent their views—make their vote count.
6. I always favor reexamining issues in light of current knowledge and circumstances. The usage patterns for reliever airports I outline in #7 along with Governor Pawlenty's "20/20 Vision" proposal to expand MSP Lindbergh Terminal by 46 gates and to double the capacity of the Humphrey terminal, make it imperative to take a fresh look at the realities concerning reliever airports.
7. I question the wisdom of any expansion given the current usage patterns of the reliever airports. According to MAC's own statistics, all the relievers have experienced decreases in usage in 2003, with STP's being the highest decrease at 23.2% and the average decrease in usage among the six metro relievers being 15.7%.
8. I am not aware of specific proposed flight plan patterns- however, regardless of the proposals; again I don't believe an expansion would add quality of life for Eden Prairie residents.
9. I first became aware of this through reading your materials and some investigation on the issue.
10. Yes, unusual though, because this is a large discrepancy in the estimates.
11. I am aware that the new FAA weight-based pavement strength rule could override the MAC agreement to uphold the 60,000lb weight restriction.
12. No. While airports provide options for commercial passenger, air and cargo services, commuters use roads, buses and other public transport. It is important to provide viable alternatives for commuters, to help relieve traffic congestion in this corridor and in the metro-area in general.
13. I doubt that an expansion would be a boon to either, given current reliever airport usage patterns and the proposed expansion of the Lindbergh and Humphrey terminals which if passed, would undoubtedly contribute to further erosion in usage of the reliever airports. In addition, I believe taxpayers would wish to seriously examine any reliever airport expansion (without the proposed on-site hotel) is estimated at \$732M.
14. I do not believe party endorsements are appropriate at the local level. They have the chilling effect of "tipping the balance" incredibly. It means that the average Joe/Jane citizen wishing to run for local office is effectively shut-out of having a level playing field on which to run. Political parties have big money to spend on phone calling, lawn signs, flyers and other campaign materials. I also believe in spending limits, as some candidates in local elections are spending thousands of dollars. I hope that voters will take into account the most relevant factors such as local community experience, not big party endorsements or how many lawn signs one has.