

City of San Diego Flight Safety Improvements at Montgomery Field Airport

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Summary of Obstruction Hazard Situation Montgomery Field Airport

- Building obstruction exists north of the Airport determined by FAA to be a "hazard to air navigation"
- City has put in place two separate remedies:
 1. Reduce the building height through legal means – Anticipate a far-reaching legal process taking years to resolve
 2. Clear the airspace surrounding the building by removing aircraft operations in its immediate vicinity – Near Term and Long Range Plan

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Near Term Plan to Improve Flight Safety at Montgomery Field Airport

- City, as airport owner/operator, has coordinated with the FAA to implement immediate flight safety improvements by slightly modifying local flight procedures
 - Provides for greater safety margins in good weather and during instrument conditions

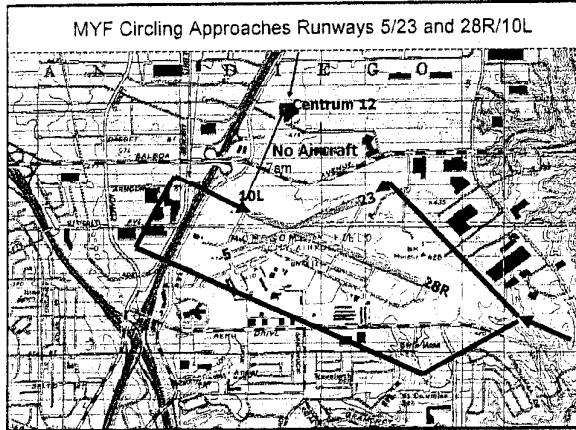
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Summary of Flight Safety Improvements at Montgomery Field Airport (Near Term)

- Modify instrument procedures to restrict circling approaches north of Runway 5/23
- Continue authorization to circle to land Runway 23
- Continue authorization to circle south of Airport to land Runways 5 and 10L
 - Circling south currently authorized by FAA but very infrequently used
 - This procedure will be used less twice per day (annual average)—minimal impact on surrounding community

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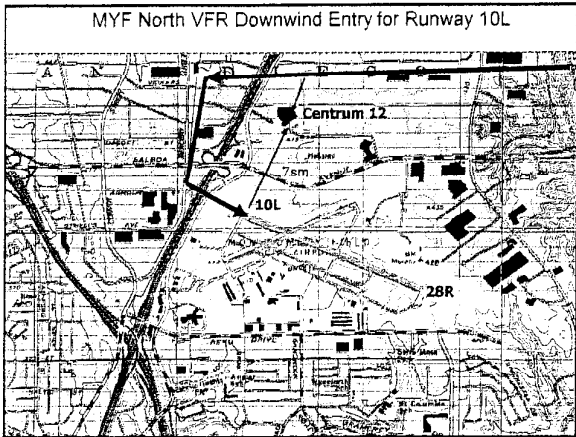
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Summary of Flight Safety Improvements at Montgomery Field Airport (Near Term)

- Require VFR (Visual Flight Rules) arrival aircraft to cross Hwy 163 prior to turning base to land Runway 10L
- Elevate VFR traffic pattern altitude for 10L/28R from 800'AGL to 1,000'AGL
 - Ensures maximum safe separation between aircraft and obstructions to the north


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Summary of Flight Safety Improvements at Montgomery Field Airport (Long Term)

- Partner with FAA to install straight-in Instrument Approach Procedure to Runway 10L
 - Provides airport with significant increase to airfield capability
 - Eliminates need for circling approaches to 10L
 - Needs to be studied for:
 - operational feasibility
 - environmental and community impacts


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Benefits of City Program to Modify Flight Procedures at Montgomery Field Airport

- Ensures safest possible operating conditions exist at Montgomery Field Airport
- Restores public and user confidence in Montgomery Field flight operations and airspace management
- Permits the orderly development of the airport and the community development north of the airport
- Avoids unduly impacting the south community
- Avoids negative impacts on airfield capability or on aircraft operators

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Actions taken by City and FAA

- FAA endorses all proposed flight safety improvements and has placed City request for new instrument procedure in queue for installation (18 months to two years)
- Airport to meet with airport user groups to brief aircraft operators and community stakeholders on impacts

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