

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guâhan
APPOINTMENTS

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38GL-26-2783	Jesse G. Garcia	Member	Board of Directors Guam International Airport Authority	8/17/26	Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation	8/24/26	Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs.	9/2/26	9/9/26			



September 8, 2026

The Honorable Frank F. Blas Jr.
Speaker, *I Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan*
163 W. Chalan Santo Papa
Hågatña, Guam 96910

Via Honorable Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada 
Chairman, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on the Nomination of Jesse G. Garcia

Buenas yan Håfa Ådai Speaker,

Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on the Nomination of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Guam International Airport Authority for Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation.

Committee votes are as follows:

 8 TO DO CONFIRM
 TO NOT CONFIRM
 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
 TO ABSTAIN
 TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE



COMMITTEE ON RULES

RECEIVED:

September 9, 2026 11:29 a.m.

Marie Crisostomo

Senseremente.


Senator Jesse A. Lujan

Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs



COMMITTEE REPORT

Nomination of Jesse G. Garcia

**To serve as a Member of the Board of Directors for the
Guam International Airport Authority for Three (3)
Years; From Date of Confirmation.**

**Authored by:
The Office of Senator Jesse A. Lujan**



September 8, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: **All Members**
Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

From: **Senator Jesse A. Lujan**
Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

Subject: **Committee Report on the Nomination of Jesse G. Garcia.**

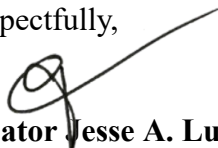
Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on the Nomination of **Jesse G. Garcia** to serve as a **member** of the **Guam International Airport Authority** (GIAA) Board of Directors for Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation.

This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of the Appointment
- Copy of the Appointment Letter to the Speaker
- Copy of the Appointment Packet & Supporting Documents
- Notices of the Public Hearing & Other Correspondence
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Submitted Written Testimony and supporting Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest

Please take the appropriate action on the attached vote sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,


Senator Jesse A. Lujan

Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature

August 24, 2026

To: **Rennae V. C. Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Darleen E.H. Phillips
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Referral of Appointment**

Håfa Adai,

As per my authority as Chairperson of the Committee on Rules and subject to §9.01, Rule IX of our Standing Rules, I am forwarding the referral of the following appointment:

Appointee: **Jesse G. Garcia**

Position: **Member**

Term Length: **Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation**

Please refer the following document:

“**Doc. No. 38GL-26-2783** – Office of the Governor of Guam - Appointment and Supporting Documents for Jesse G. Garcia, Member, Guam International Airport Authority Board of Directors.”

Ensure the appointment is referred to the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs chaired by Senator Jesse A. Lujan. I also request that the same be copied to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Kamarin Nelson, Committee on Rules Director at 671-472-2461.



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
LT. GOVERNOR

UFISINAN I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

August 17, 2026

HONORABLE FRANK BLAS JR., Speaker
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

38GL-26-2783
OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
FRANK F. BLAS JR.

AUG 20 2026

Time: 5:07 pm
Received: [Signature]

RE: Board Reappointment

Håfa Adai Mr. Speaker:

By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam, 12 GCA § 1106, and all other applicable local laws, I am pleased to transmit the following reappointment and supporting documents:

APPOINTEE: Jesse G. Garcia
POSITION: Member, Board of Directors
Guam International Airport Authority
TERM LENGTH: Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation

The appointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam



38GL-26-2783
Messages and Communications

RECEIVED
COMMITTEE ON RULES
August 31, 2026

2:22 p.m.
Marie Crisostomo

cc: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
LT. GOVERNOR

UFISINAN I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

August 17, 2026

JESSE G. GARCIA



Håfa Adai Mr. Garcia:

Pursuant to my authority under the Organic Act of Guam, 12 GCA § 1106, and all other applicable laws, I am reappointing you to serve as a:

MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
A.B. WON PAT AIRPORT AUTHORITY
Term Length: Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation

I appreciate your willingness to serve in this position.

The reappointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please contact my office at (671) 473-1121.

Senseramente,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lou Leon Guerrero".

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

cc: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam
Brian J. Bamba, Chairman, Board of Directors, Guam International Airport Authority
John M. Quinata, Executive Manager, Guam International Airport Authority

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Governor



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM
Nomination and Appointment Information Form

The following information is required for submission to the
Speaker of / *Liheslaturan Guåhan* in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated Section 2103

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Last Name Garcia	First Name Jesse	Middle Initial G.
Mailing Address [REDACTED]		Apartment/Unit #
City [REDACTED]	State [REDACTED]	Zip Code [REDACTED]
Phone [REDACTED]	E-mail Address [REDACTED]	
Position to which Appointment is Made Member, Board of Directors, Guam International Airport Authority		
Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes ☒ No ☐		
If no, are you authorized to work in the United States? Yes ☐ No ☐		

EDUCATION

SCHOOL (Name, City and State)	DATES OF ATTENDANCE	TYPE OF DEGREE	YEAR EARNED
High School George Washington High School		High School Diploma	1983
College			
Graduate School			
Other Degree Guam Police Reserve, 9th Cycle			1985

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Name of Present/Last Employer and Mailing Address Black Construction Company Harmon Industrial Park, Guam	Position Title Project Manager
	Dates Held 3/2021 - Present
Previous Employer and Mailing Address Department of Public Works Government of Guam	Position Title Deputy Director
	Dates Held 1/2019 - 2/2021
Previous Employer and Mailing Address Black Construction Company Harmon Industrial Park, Guam	Position Title Project Manager
	Dates Held 11/2013 - 1/2019
Previous Employer and Mailing Address Johnson Control Tamuning, Guam	Position Title Project Manager
	Dates Held 3/2011 - 10/2013
Previous Employer and Mailing Address Global Specialists Retailers, Inc. (GSRI) dba GAP, Aerosoles & Beauty Bar Upper Tumon,	Position Title
	Dates Held

PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE

Agency or Department Name CHamoru Land Trust Commission		Position Title Administrator
Address Government of Guam	Phone No.	Dates Held 2009 - 2010
Agency or Department Name Dept. of Homeland Security, Emergency Ops Center		Position Title Ops Section Chief
Address Government of Guam	Phone No.	Dates Held 2003 - 2004

PRIOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT OF GUAM)

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

TRAINING

INSTITUTE/SEMINARS/ON-THE-JOB TRAINING	DATE
OSHA Construction Industry Course (30 hours)	2012
US Army Corps of Eng Const. Quality Mgmt for Contractors	2011
GPD SWAT w/Special Ops Training Group (SOTG)	on-going
FEMA Incident Command, FEMA Emergency Mgmt Institute	2004

AWARDS

List all educational, professional, civic awards, and recognition for public service:
* Civilian Volunteer Police Reserve Officer of the Year, 2005 * Best of the Best Employee of the Year, 1997 * Supervisor of the Year, Large Agency (DPW), 1995 * Salutatorian, 9th Police Reserve Cycle, 1985

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

List involvement on a local/national/international level. List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:
* Member, Board of Directors, Guam International Airport Authority, 7/2020 - 7/2026

COMMUNITY / CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:

Member, Yona Municipal Planning Council

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

List any published articles, papers delivered at professional meetings, etc.:

MILITARY SERVICE (Please attach Form DD-214)

BRANCH	DATES OF SERVICE	RANK AT DISCHARGE	TYPE OF DISCHARGE

OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Have you ever been found guilty of a felony in any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes ☐ No ☒ If so, please specify in detail: _____

Address of the Court: _____

Date(s) of Conviction: _____

Specific Infraction Committed: _____

(2) Have you ever been declared mentally incompetent by any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes ☐

No ☒

If so, please specify in detail the reasons and facts related to such declaration:

(3) Have you ever been found not guilty or not punishable in any criminal proceedings by reason of insanity?

Yes ☐

No ☒

(4) Have you ever been confined to a mental institution for any reason?

Yes ☐

No ☒

If so, please specify in why the appointing authority believes you that you are not suffering from any mental illness or affliction:

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Governor



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

Statement of Financial Interests

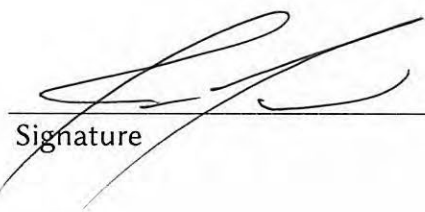
(Required by 4 G.C.A. §13104.1)

TO: The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
Governor of Guam
Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910

FROM: JESSE G. GARCIA

- ☒ I have no financial interest in any business
- ☐ I do have interest(s) in the following business(es):

NAME AND ADDRESS OF BUSINESS INTEREST	TYPE AND AMOUNT OF INTEREST


Signature

7/17/2026
Date

AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and correct.



Print Name and Signature

7/17/2029

Date

Jesse G. Garcia

Tel: [REDACTED] email: [REDACTED]

July 2026

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

During my 31 total years of service for the Government of Guam, I was an active participant in planning and development for the Department of Public Works, most particularly in the area of the Highway Master Planning, Facility CIP's and Maintenance, logistics planning for large government operations, as well as serving as a key advisor to two governors over a 16 year period. I have a strong commitment and dedication to assigned tasks, take personal responsibility to solving problems and I create a "can do" attitude for myself and for my team. Most recently, I was a direct report for logistics to Governor Leon Guerrero in the first two (2) years of the COVID-19 pandemic.

EDUCATION

Guam Community College
Guam Police Reserve 9th Cycle, 1985

George Washington High School, 1983 Graduate
Mangilao, Guam

CERTIFICATIONS/PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

OSHA 30 hour Construction Industry Course, June 2012

Guam Contractors License Board Examination (passed) in the field of Law, General Engineering, General Building and Excavating/Grading/Trenching, October 2011

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (NAVFAC) Construction Quality Management for Contractors, September 2011

Construction Safety Hazard Awareness Certificate, EM385-1-1, September 2011

GPD SWAT Training with Special Operations Training Group (SOTG), On-going

FEMA Incident Command, FEMA Emergency Management Institute, 2004

FEMA Incident Command, Texas A&M Training, 2004

FEMA Post Earthquake Safety Evaluation of Buildings, November 2004

FEMA Debris Management, 2003

Preliminary R-9 Partners Meeting, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Phoenix, Arizona, March 2001

Managing Federal Finances, NHTSA, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2001

Lifesavers 2000, NHTSA, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2000

Public Assistance Recovery Training & Workshop for Compliance Inspectors, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), 1999

FHWA Value Engineering Training, 1995

Value Engineering for Highways, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), March 1994

Principles of Real Estate Acquisition – Engineering, Negotiations, Appraisal and Law, April 1994

Leadership Skills for Rights of Way & Real Property Professionals, March 1993

Introduction to the Management of National Park Resources, National Park Services, 1985

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

Civilian Volunteer Police Reserve Officer of the Year, 2005

Best of the Best Employee of the Year, 1997

Supervisor of the Year, Large Agency (DPW), 1995

Salutatorian, 9th Police Reserve Cycle, 1985

SELECTED PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Project Manager

Black Construction Corporation

Harmon Industrial Park, Guam

February 2021- Current

Provide on-site coordination and support for all phases of construction projects. Essential Functions and major responsibilities include coordinate required inspections with local jurisdictions, assist in obtaining permits or approval of revisions, identify conflicts in construction progress and communicate them to project team for resolution and participate at pre-construction meetings to name a few.

Deputy Director

Guam Department of Public Works

Upper Tumon, Guam

January 2019 – February 2021

In the absence of and under the direction of the Department of Public Works Director, I directed and administered the programs and services vested under the Department of Public Works – Highway Engineering, Capital Improvement, Building Permits and Inspection, Building Maintenance, Transportation Maintenance, Solid Waste Management, Bus Operations and Government-wide Support.

My focus during this time was on federal highway projects and improvements at the DPW One Stop Center. With the onset of the COVID-19, I was involved in the Governor's Executive COVID response team to respond to the pandemic to include all logistics tied to the establishment of emergency quarantine shelters, establishment of emergency response centers (GMH, DPHSS, DOE, DOC, GRMC, etc.), island wide food distribution, transportation of quarantine and isolation individuals, identifying and establishment of non-congregate homeless shelters and all other duties as assigned.

Project Manager

Black Construction Corporation

Harmon Industrial Park, Guam

November 2013-January 2019

Provide on-site coordination and support for all phases of construction projects. Essential Functions and major responsibilities include coordinate required inspections with local jurisdictions, assist in obtaining permits or approval of revisions, identify conflicts in construction progress and communicate them to project team for resolution and participate at pre-construction meetings to name a few.

Examples of project participation include Lotte Duty Free Store integration at the Guam International Airport (GIAA), Chuuk Airport Runway Coordination, GIAA Visitor Isolation Corridor, Port Authority of Guam Yard Expansion, Saipan Puerto Rico Dump Closure, Guam Ordot Dump Closure, Lockwood Housing Naval Station Base (Guam), Luen Fung Cold Storage Warehouse Construction and the Matson Building Headquarters (Guam).

Project Manager

Johnson Control

Taumuning, Guam

March 2011-October 2013

Supervised the mechanical and electrical installation of energy saving equipment and upgrades. Secured required permits, licenses and clearances by Government of Guam agencies to include coordinating inspections with Guam Fire Department, Department of Public Works and others.

Main project was the Guam International Airport Authority installation of energy efficiency upgrades.

Construction Management (Consultant)

Global Specialists Retailers, Inc. (GSRI) dba GAP, Aerosoles & Beauty Bar

Upper Tumon, Guam

October 2011-March 2020

Assisted GSRI in rolling-out all stores back in February 2012 – June 2012 carrying the brands Gap, Gap Kids, Baby Gap, Beauty Bar, and Aerosoles with locations at the Plaza and Micronesia Mall. Assignments included the management of the project timetable to ensure target opening date is met; evaluated change orders and contract cost; evaluated Contractor's submitted certificates of payment based on the actual completion of the construction work, recommend adjustments as necessary prior to acceptance of said Certificates; facilitated transit of all owner supplied materials from port (or warehouse) to the construction sites; ensured Contractor complied with the construction permits, inspection certificates, certificates of occupancy and similar permits required by government agencies.

Other duties included the facilitation of hiring of key positions (initial interviews) and helped with posting of recruitment ads; coordinated with logistics provider for the release of shipment; coordinated with lawyers regarding procurement of business licenses and permits; sourced supplies and equipment (ex: provide recommendations for POS vendors, Anti-Shoplifting Systems, Store Supplies and Packaging); and Market Research as needed (ex: standard Fitting Room policies, Staff Uniform policies in the market, staff house).

Deputy Director

Department of Public Works, Government of Guam

Upper Tumon, Guam

October 2010 - December 2010

In the absence of and under the direction of the Department of Public Works Director, I directed and administered the programs and services vested under the Department of Public Works – Highway Engineering, Capital Improvement, Building Permits and Inspection, Building Maintenance, Transportation Maintenance, Solid Waste Management, Bus Operations and Government-wide Support. I directed Special Road Improvement Projects funded by Federal Compact Impact Obligations and planned, organized, and managed government construction projects to include new roads, buildings, and other government facilities. My responsibilities included contract negotiations, project estimating, permit clearance, site management, and maintenance. I implemented the consolidation and merging of similar program functions for cost effectiveness and efficient task execution and directed procurement of critically essential equipment utilizing approved federal funds.

I also directed the consolidation of tasks for vehicle maintenance programs to minimize manpower deficiencies and effectuated organized effective program performance. I was charged with the task of evaluating employees and recommending awards to deserving employees for outstanding performances and/or for service retirement. I also oversaw the Government of Guam's emergency operations for any man-made or natural disasters. As the Operations Chief at the Guam FEMA office, I was a designated "Emergency Operations First Responder", working in conjunction with Guam military personnel at the Naval and Air Force bases when it came to natural disasters, national defense, and other local emergency situations.

Administrator

Chamorro Land Trust Commission, Government of Guam

Upper Tumon, Guam

2009 - 2010

As the Administrator of the Chamorro Land Trust Commission (CLTC), I was charged with ensuring trust lands were efficiently and effectively awarded to native Chamorros through residential, agricultural, and commercial leases. CLTC's objectives are to act in the interest of beneficiaries, to maintain and uphold fiduciary responsibilities for the beneficiaries, and to exercise due diligence in the management of Chamorro homelands. CLTC currently has a trust land inventory of 12,731 acres or 51,520,529 square meters. As directed by the Governor, I continued to provide collateral duties at the Department of Public

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Works as Chief of Operations and Emergency Operations coordinator. As the CLTC Administrator, I participated in strategic planning meetings with the Government of Guam and the Joint Guam Program Office (JGPO) planning group with regards to potential government land needed to support the Marine relocation efforts, to include the Pagat Mangilao proposed firing range.

Chief of Operations

Department of Public Works, Government of Guam

Upper Tumon, Guam

2004 - 2009

I administered the programs and guidelines of the Operations Divisions – Bus Operations, Solid Waste Management, Transportation Maintenance, Highway Maintenance and Building Maintenance Division. I planned, organized, and managed Government construction projects, which included new roads, buildings and other government facilities. My responsibilities included contract negotiations, project estimating, securement of permits, site management and maintenance. I also oversaw management studies regarding standard operating procedures, and prepared and reviewed the overall budget for the Operations Divisions. I identified and implemented budget policies and procedures for Operations. I reviewed and finalized the budget ceiling for the Operations divisions and disseminated work projects accordingly to respective divisions.

I coordinated the successful, simultaneous development of several projects, ensuring all projects met implemented policies and procedures for safe, efficient, and effective operations. I was charged with the management of all functions of the Division of Verticals (GovGuam building CIP's), CIP's, Engineering and Buildings Permits and Encroachment. I also oversaw the Government of Guam's emergency operations for any man-made or natural disasters.

Operations Section Chief

Emergency Operations Center-Department of Homeland Security, Government of Guam

Hagatna Heights, Guam

2003 - 2004

In this position, I assisted in the preparation, response, and recovery plans in regard to natural and man-made emergencies/disasters that affected the island, most particularly in the emergency response efforts after Super Typhoon Pongsona hit Guam. I assisted in the creation and enhancement of various standard operating procedures and emergency operations related to the Emergency Operations Center, and Guam Department of Homeland Security. I also served as the Infrastructure Protection Coordinator; primarily responsible for identifying the island's critical facilities, assessing protection needs, and preparing reaction and response plans to terrorist attacks or other man-made or natural disasters. I collaborated with other coordinators in the office and in the field, as well as with local and federal agencies/departments that had emergency response and incident investigation responsibilities. I was part of the team that created and justified the need for the Infrastructure Protection Coordinator position within the organizational structure of the Office of Guam Homeland Security. I also gathered information necessary to validate submission of critical site, importance, vulnerabilities, and force protection requirements to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. I trained at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute for debris management and incident command.

Director

Department of Public Works, Government of Guam

Upper Tumon, Guam

2000 - 2003

As Director, I administered the programs and services vested under the Department of Public Works – Highway Engineering, Capital Improvement, Building Permits and Inspection, Transportation Maintenance, Solid Waste Management, Bus Operations and Government Wide Support. I planned, organized and managed government construction projects to include new roads, buildings and other government facilities. My responsibilities included contract negotiations, project estimating, securement of permits, site management, and maintenance. I also directed the Special Road Improvements project

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funded by Federal Compact Impact Funds and administered the continuing Tipping Fee Program and addressed billing/collection problems to be corrected by a booklet method billing procedures for residential use (implemented during Fiscal Year 2002). I led the team that implemented the consolidation and merging of similar program functions for cost-effectiveness and efficient task execution. I directed procurement of critical and essential landfill equipment utilizing approved federal and local funds, and directed the consolidation of tasks for vehicle maintenance programs to minimize manpower deficiencies. I also effectuated organized effective program performance; implemented split shifts in Bus Operations and Solid Waste Scheduling to minimize and eliminate overtime work and pay; directed the review/analysis of other incidents of premium work and implemented the enforcement of established controls for appropriate time-keeping to deter premium pay when not earned. In addition, I instilled the "Equal Work for Equal Pay" work motto. I recognized and awarded deserving employees for outstanding performances and service retirements. I also oversaw the Government of Guam's emergency operations for any man-made or natural disasters.

In the years prior to 2000 and besides my Department of Pubic Works tenure, I also worked in various capacities for the Department of Land Management.

LATERAL DUTIES

Director

Guam International Airport Authority

Tamuning, Guam

April 2022 - Present

Appointed by Governor Lourdes Leon Guerrero and approved by the Guam Legislature to serve on the A.B. Won Pat Guam International Airport Authority (GIAA) Board of Directors, to provide advice and support on all airline issues facing Guam. Worked directly with management on its recovery from Typhoon Mawar (May 2023).

Police Reserve Officer

Guam Police Department (GPD)

Tiyan, Guam

1984 - Present

As a Police Reserve Officer, I am assigned to Patrol Division and Special Operation Divisions when on official duty or assignments. Official duties and assignments included state dignitary protection to include President Clinton (1998), ongoing Congressional Delegation (CODEL) visits, other federal and state dignitaries, international and Oceania dignitaries.

In the past two years, I had the opportunity to coordinate and collaborate with the Special Operations Training Group (SOTG), USMC training on Guam in partnership with the GPD. I was able to secure and eventually participate with GPD on the Guam training sites to include the Piti Power Plant and the former hospital site.

REFERENCES: AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.



Government of Guam
GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECORDS & IDENTIFICATION SECTION
P.O. Box 23909
Guam Main Facility, Guam 96921



July 1, 2026

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD

NAME:	JESSE G. GARCIA		
DATE OF BIRTH:	[REDACTED]	FINGERPRINT#:	[REDACTED]
☐	The individual has no record of criminal conviction(s) in the Guam Police Department files that are subject to Guam law.		

*****NOTHING FOLLOWS*****

THIS INFORMATION MAY BE LIMITED TO A LOCAL CRIMINAL OFFENSE ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED FOR USE FOR ANY LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.


The absence of an original GUAM POLICE
seal invalidates this police clearance.
REVISED 06/16/2026

By Direction: 

JOSEPH S. CARBULLIDO, Colonel
Acting Chief of Police



Superior Court of Guam

Guam Judicial Center • 120 West O'Brien Dr • Hagåtña, Gu, 96910
Tel: (671) 300-2993 • Fax: (671) 475-0078



HON. ALBERTO C. LAMORENA, III
PRESIDING JUDGE

JANICE M. CAMACHO-PEREZ, ESQ.
CLERK OF COURT

VALERIE D. TENORIO
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

Name: Jesse John G Garcia

Drivers License Number: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

CERTIFICATE OF SEARCH

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies the following results of a diligent search of the records of this Court:

Criminal Cases:
No Record Found

Civil Cases:
No Record Found

Request for further information may be addressed at the Records Division of the Superior Court of Guam, Guam Judicial Center, 120 West O'Brien Drive, Hagåtña, Guam. Hours of operation are Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and local/federal holidays. **Court Clearances are Non-Refundable.**

Dated: July 13, 2026

Janice M. Camacho-Perez
Clerk of Court

By: 
Court Archivist
Prepared by: Rachael Q Orsini



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Invalidates this
document.**

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Certificate of Search Record. Page 1 of 1



Senator Jesse Lujan <senator.lujan@guamlegislature.gov>

FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing on September 2, 2026 @ 2:00 PM

Senator Jesse Lujan <senator.lujan@guamlegislature.gov>

Wed, Aug 26, 2026 at 9:00 AM

To: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov

Cc: Tricia Cruz <tricia.cruz@guamairport.net>

Bcc: Jesse Garcia <jesseg@blackguam.com>, John Quinata <john.quinata@guamairport.net>, Brian Bamba <Brian.bamba@guamairport.net>, Brian Bamba [REDACTED]

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 26, 2026

MEMORANDUM**To:** All Senators, Stakeholders, Media**From:** Senator Jesse A. Lujan
Chairman, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities,
and Federal & Foreign Affairs**RE: FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing on September 2, 2026 @ 2:00 PM**

The Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs will convene a public hearing on **September 2, 2026**, beginning at **2:00 PM** at the Public Hearing Room in the Guam Congress Building. The agenda is as follows:

2:00 P.M.

- **Doc. No. 38GL-26-2783** – *Appointment for Jesse G. Garcia, Member, Guam International Airport Authority Board of Directors.*
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1	JESSE GARCIA				✓			
2	JAN REYES	GIAA					✓	
3	Tina Garcia						✓	
4	John Quinn	GIAA	-		✓	✓	✓	
5	FRANK SANTOS	GIAA / TMG					✓	
6	Daniel Spindle	GIAA					✓	
7	Gurvinder Soti	GIAA					✓	
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9	DEBBIE NEATO	GIAA					✓	
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3	Doyon A. Morato	GIAA					✓	
4	Mark Muma						✓	
5	Joann Camacho					✓	✓	
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4	J. AMY DUNSON						✓	
5	John C. Jones						✓	
6	Tobias Paul					✗		
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Jesse G. Garcia

Testimony in Support of the Reappointment of Jesse Garcia to the Guam Airport Authority Board of Directors

Good afternoon, honorable members and distinguished guests.

I am writing today to express my strong support for the reappointment of my brother, Jesse, to the Guam Airport Authority Board of Directors.

Having had the opportunity to know Jesse not only as a family member but also to witness his character, work ethic, and commitment to serving our community, I can confidently say that he possesses the qualities needed to continue serving effectively on the Board.

Jesse is an exceptionally knowledgeable, professional, and resourceful individual. He approaches his responsibilities with dedication and takes the time to understand the issues and challenges before him. His knowledge and experience allow him to contribute thoughtfully and responsibly to important discussions and decisions affecting the Guam Airport Authority and our island community.

His professionalism is evident in the way he conducts himself and works with others. Jesse understands the importance of accountability, collaboration, and making decisions that serve the best interests of the people of Guam. He is also highly resourceful and capable of finding practical solutions when challenges arise.

The Guam Airport Authority plays a vital role in Guam's economy, tourism, transportation, and connection to the rest of the world. It is important that the Board of Directors includes individuals who are committed, capable, and red to take on the responsibilities that come with such an important believe Jesse has demonstrated these qualities and would continue be asset to the Board

For these reasons, I respectfully and wholeheartedly support Jesse's reappointment to the Guam Airport Authority Board of Directors. I am confident that his continued service, knowledge, professionalism, and resourcefulness will benefit the Authority and the people of Guam.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my testimony in support of his reappointment.

Respectfully,

Joann G. Camacho



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38th Guam Legislature

REFERENCE: Testimony in Support of the Reappointment of Jesse G. Garcia to the
Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority,
Guam (GIAA)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai! Good afternoon Honorable Chairman and fellow Members of this
Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign
Affairs of the 38th Guam Legislature. I am John Michael Quinata, commonly known as "JQ"
and I currently serve as the Executive Manager of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport
Authority, Guam (GIAA). Thank you for this opportunity to come before all of you
members of this legislative committee this afternoon to offer testimony in staunch
support of the reappointment of Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won
Pat International Airport Authority, Guam.

As you well know, Jesse Gumataotao Garcia, first came to the GIAA when he stepped up
to fill a critical vacancy on the GIAA Board of Directors in February of 2022, after former
Director Zenon E. Belanger stepped off the board, before completing the full length of his
term. Jesse Garcia came on board with an impressive career path spanning both the public
and private sectors. He had previously served the Government of Guam at cabinet level
positions as the Deputy Director of the Department of Public Works and the Administrator
of the CHamoru Land Trust Commission. He has also served in senior management
positions in long established business organizations like Black Construction Corporation
(BCC), Johnson Controls and Global Specialists Retailers, Inc. (GSRI) that brought in well-
known international brands GAP, Aerosoles, and Beauty Bar. He also brings with him, 40
years dedicated to public safety with his service to the Guam Police Department and the
Department of Public Safety, before that with also a stint with the Department of
Homeland Security.

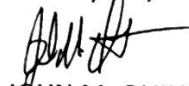
Jesse John as he is more commonly referred to, has shown great leadership in the GIAA
board's sub-committee on Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs) during his tenure. He is
knowledgeable and well versed on government procurement, planning, capital
improvement, safety and law enforcement. When he came on board, he brought critical
insight in working with the federal government, namely, the Federal Emergency
Management Agency (FEMA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This has

now expanded to include working with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). His time on the board has been instrumental in our creation of guidance policy, approvals of CIPs, acceptance of grant funding, and the awarding of various bids and proposal submissions in response to Invitation(s) to Bid (IFBs) and Request(s) for Proposals (RFPs).

I am fully confident that Jesse John will continue to serve the people of Guam with his commitment to hard work and "can-do" attitude. Your confirmation on the reappointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam is greatly appreciated.

I respectfully submit this testimony on this 2nd day of September 2026.

Put respetu,



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Buenas yan Håfa Adai! Good afternoon Honorable Chairman Lujan and members of the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs of the 38th Guam Legislature. I am Brian Bamba, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Antonio B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA). On behalf of the GIAA Board of Directors, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on the reappointment of Jesse G. Garcia to continue serving as a member of Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam.

I have had the pleasure of serving the people of Guam alongside Jesse John, since February 2022, when he was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Airport Board with the confirmation of the previous 37th Guam Legislature. Throughout his tenure to date, Jesse has served with a critical eye and keen understanding of our Airport's master plan and our Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs). He continues to provide valuable insight and guidance, especially with the large-scale capital projects we execute at the airport. He brings valuable perspective to our discussions and deliberations with his experience in procurement, planning, capital improvement, safety, and law enforcement, in both the public and private business sectors.

I am fully confident that Jesse John will continue to serve the people of Guam with his commitment to improving the airport. Your confirmation on his reappointment to the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam Board of Directors, is appreciated.

Respectfully submit this 2 day of September 2026.

Sincerely,

BRIAN J. BAMBA

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REFERENCE: Testimony of my Reappointment as Director of the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA)

Håfa Adai Senator Lujan and members of the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs. Thank you for asking me to appear before you today, and for your consideration of my nomination to serve another term on the GIAA Board of Directors.

For the past four years, I have had the privilege of helping formulate policies to guide the airport and our island through economic recovery and military expansion, both of which presented generational challenges to the region.

Today, the aviation industry is undergoing tremendous change, bringing new possibilities within the broader aerospace sector that our parents and grandparents could only dream of.

Over the next three years, my goal is to explore and capture these possibilities while building on our past work.

This will strengthen our aviation and tourism industries, support the local business community, and create new jobs for our workforce, especially tomorrow's generation of workers.

I see this role as a natural extension of my forty plus years in public service, and it would be an honor to continue serving our island.

Thank you!

Respectfully submit this 2nd day of September 2026.

Sincerely,



JESSE G. GARCIA



COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Nomination of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Guam International Airport Authority for Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation.

Committee Members	Signature	TO DO CONFIRM	TO NOT CONFIRM	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	TO ABSTAIN	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
Senator Jesse A. Lujan <i>Chairperson</i>	EVOTE 9/8/2026	×				
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas <i>1st Vice Chairperson</i>	EVOTE 9/8/2026	×				
Senator Shelly Vargas Calvo <i>2nd Vice Chairperson</i>	EVOTE 9/8/2026	×				
Senator Frank F. Blas, Jr. <i>Member</i>	EVOTE 9/8/2026	×				
Senator Sabrina Salas Matanane <i>Member</i>	EVOTE 9/9/2026	×				
Senator Vincent A.V. Borja <i>Member</i>	EVOTE 9/9/2026	×				
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Please see the attached committee report for the appointment of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member of the Guam International Airport Authority (GIAA) Board of Directors for Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation.

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

Senator Jesse A. Lujan, Chairman

I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs convened a Public Hearing for the appointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member of the Guam International Airport Authority (GIAA) Board of Directors on September 2, 2026 at 2:00PM in the Guam Congress Building's Public Hearing Room.

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Public Hearing Notices were posted to the Government Public Notices Portal and disseminated via electronic mail to all senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on August 26, 2026 (5-Day Notice), and again on August 31, 2026 (48-Hour Notice).

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ORAL TESTIMONY:

Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee
John M. Quinata, Executive Manager, Guam International Airport Authority, (GIAA)
Joann G. Camacho, Self

WRITTEN TESTIMONY:

Brian Bamba, Chairman, Board of Directors, GIAA

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

The public hearing for the appointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia was called to order at **2:01PM**.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Good afternoon. Good afternoon. Let me call this uh public hearing to order. Thank you again. Good afternoon. This public hearing uh hearing is conducted by the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs. It's now called to order. It is 2:01 p.m. September 2, 2026. First notice of this Public Hearing was disseminated to all senators and media outlets on August 26, 2026 with the second uh notice disseminated on August 31, 2026. These hearing notices were also made available on the uh Guam Legislative website and our legislative calendar and the Government of Guam's Public Notice Portal. This afternoon, the committee will hear testimony on the appointment of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member of the Guam International Airport Authority Board of Directors and Bill Number 316-38 (COR) authored by Sabina F. Perez *“An Act To Repeal And Reenact §8602 (D) Of Article 6, Chapter 8, Title 12, Guam Code Annotated, Relative To Facilitating Guam’s Transition To 100% Renewable Energy By Including The Guam Power Authority And Limited Cooperative Associations In The Virtual Power Plant Program.”* At this time I would like to of course welcome my colleagues who are joining us this afternoon. Uh Senator Sabina Perez. Thank you for for joining us. Author of the bill that we're going to hear, Senator Telo Taitague, thank you for joining us. Vice Speaker uh Tony Ada, thank you. Thank you. Senator Chris Duenas. Thank you for joining us. And Senator Shawn Gumataotao, thank you for joining us this afternoon as well. Okay, before I begin, I'd like to remind everyone in attendance of the *I Lieheslaturan Guåhan's* uh general rules of conduct, individuals testifying shall first be recognized by the chairperson before speaking and shall state their full name and for record keeping purposes. Questions and testimony shall be confined to the substance of the nature of the bill or nature of the agenda. Personal inferences to the character or motive of any senator or individual testifying is not permitted. The chairperson of the committee may order the removal from this hearing any member of *Lihehlaturan Guåhan* or the public audience who fails to observe proper decorum pursuant to the 38th Guam Legislature’s standing rules. Any violation of this general rule of conduct will result in immediate removal from this public hearing room. With that,

we will now proceed to hear testimony on the appointment of Jesse G. Garcia. Jess, you step forward. And folks that will be testifying as well, please go ahead and step forward or have a seat. *[inaudible crosstalk]* Okay. Yeah. No, I don't I don't No, I don't. That's the only one I got. Thank you, Sen. Um, Mr. Garcia, go ahead and start. Thank you.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Good Afternoon, Senator Lujan.

[Mr. Garcia reads into the record his submitted written testimony for himself which has been appended to this Committee Report.]

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Uh, Senator Quinata.

[Mr. Quinata reads into the record his submitted written testimony for Mr. Garcia which has been appended to this Committee Report.]

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Senator uh Quinata. First Lady Camacho.

[Mrs. Camacho reads into the record his submitted written testimony for Mr. Garcia which has been appended to this Committee Report.]

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, First Lady. I have questions now. I got a few and uh sir Garcia uh actually you know I'm try to keep this to the um the duties that um as a Board Member not turned it into oversight at this point because we will be scheduling oversights for all our agencies and that time we'll be calling all the board members as well alongside uh uh operations folks and all that. So, um, and, uh, we'll be scheduling that with all the – our agencies in in the very near future now that we have, uh, we're out of the perpetual, um, um, budget budget cycle. So, that being said, let me start off. Um, again, uh, Mr. Garcia, uh, I either myself or or, um, my staff will attend your board

meetings. The airport board approved the selection of uh, for a concession during the last meeting. Was this for retail and food uh and food and beverage uh concession or or what was that about?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: No, it wasn't for the concession or food and beverage. It was just for um the car rental uh space.

SEATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: The car rental space. Could you elaborate on on that car rental space? Because we've had calls regarding regarding um again that situation. Could you clarify that that uh car rental um uh agreement that the the board got into?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So, it's for the counter space in the port airport.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Can Can you go a little closer?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: It's for the counter space at the airport.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Oh, rentals. Okay. Okay. Okay. Okay. I'm I'm sorry. Yeah. Let me go into my other question in regards to yeah – the um airport property is being used for car dealership storage, right? Can you give us the details on on that lease? I'm I'm sorry. I confused the car rental versus the car dealer, but there was there was questions regarding that uh that lease agreement. Can you can you tell us that that uh that lease agreement?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: As far as the lease agreement for u uh the space at the airport for uh storage, car storage, that that went through the the administration um airport administration's uh process which what got um our legal

council that oversaw that uh with the management the board wasn't directly involved in that.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Um, but that was that that situ that situation is that a long-term lease? Is that a short-term lease? What what I mean your knowledge of that?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I believe it's for u uh short term and uh it can be terminated within 30 days.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Okay. Because actually priority for those properties up there are for aeronautical related uh businesses, right?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. Yeah.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: And so you're saying that should um an entity a company um with aeronautical um uh a business they will take priority and if those those properties are are looked at as a choice that uh you can terminate that uh that that lease?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. Within 30 days we give them 30-day notice and they'll vacate.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. My understanding too because when you guys came down here uh for the budget hearing that uh there was there was a couple other uh car dealers that were were also interested in uh in in leasing in in uh doing the same thing.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I believe they were they they have uh other companies that inquired and um I guess the the airport uh management and

uh the uh se– uh went through uh the process and legal council advised of um of the I guess concession the...

okay.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: the group that....

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: but when when you say when you when you say uh when you say man management would there if there uh I mean are is the board insisting in recusal of of individuals who may have a conflict in uh in potential um um uh bids or or increase?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So with with the with that portion of the it was it didn't come to the board for for uh for us to approve it. [*crosstalk with Senator Lujan*] It was not it's not the board level. It wasn't a board uh level sanction.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: But your your understanding but your understanding of of in the board level uh because you guys make the policy that in the board level that any conflicting entities that individuals will have to recuse themselves from any any decision uh I mean in general in general that if there uh if there's any conflicting uh individuals um associated with companies that may have interest that they would be they they would recuse from any any decisions made, right?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. Any should there be any conflict, the the airport staff or management should uh notify the that there is a conflict that they may have with uh approving approval.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. The um okay. What is the schedule for the uh retail concession and food beverage RFPs? Um I

mean because I know the legislature had approved the extension for the – your large the largest re um concessionaire over there. We extended it out. Where are we at with that? Can you can you inform us where where things are at with with that major concession here?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I think that's coming up on our next board meeting. It hasn't uh we haven't heard anything about it until uh the next [crosstalk with Senator Lujan].

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: It has it hasn't been revealed to to the board at this point. Yes. Okay. So, it's still it's still in the uh in uh I guess the management level or or the folks that were involved in in putting out the RFP and and all that.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Okay. So, so when do you when do you think that we'll come to the board meeting?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I think tomorrow we have a

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Oh, tomorrow. Tomorrow's board meeting. Yes. Okay. So, we'll make sure we're in attendance for that. We'll have a better understanding for that. Okay. Has the airport adopted the 2027 budget?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. The last board meeting, we accepted the budget.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: The budget. Okay. You know, we had uh airlines and then, you know, quite a few of us had met with

airline folks. What is the airline uh cost per employment passenger and are the airlines still pushing back on that uh particular situation now? Where where we at with that? Because I I know uh you know um you guys were still looking at uh cost reduction and and things of that nature and and to see how um we can try to keep that employment from happening. But where we at with that?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: From my understanding, there's no objections from the other uh airlines, but uh it was at fifty five dollars (\$55.00) and we brought it down to uh thirty eight point (38) [*crosstalk with Senator Lujan*].

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: It was originally 55, right?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: \$55.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So, they had no objection and we had it brought down to uh 33 uh \$38.03.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: 30 something. What?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: \$38.03

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. What What was it? Uh what was what was it currently? I mean, what was

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: \$55?

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: 35?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: 55.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. No, no, but before before the anticipation of of of raising up to 55, it was 30, 35?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: \$ 34.99

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: 34. Okay. And so now we're at 38.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: 38. Okay. And so the air how do the again the airlines uh um

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: They they have no objection to to it. So

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: No no no objection to that you know like I mean this is um uh alongside the low cost carriers as well because I know their their margins were

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: They had no objections when it was brought up.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: What is um the status of uh leasing or development airport uh property since the legislature gave the airport uh again the more liberal terms and and up to 50, 50 years.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Um notices in the paper and the website would be advertised of the of the process um for for interested parties to come in and be vetted.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Mhm. Okay. have I mean but there've been uh been quite a few interests in in in

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: There's a few and but it'll be advertised and they'll come in and

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Can you give us a can you give us uh again um more in regards to what type companies are are are are have inquired

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: There there's a a few type of uh companies that come in that don't deal with the airport private businesses that that came in and then we have some airlines that that are interested in leasing longterm.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Okay. And they're they're interested in the in the the longer term leases. Yeah. Okay. Um how about uh how about that um that building the uh that formally leased by by Napa? What is happening? That's airport uh building, right? That's property. What what what's happening with that?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: That that thing um will be going out for uh for advertisement for to lease and it's been stagnant for a while. trying to get an RFP out.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Now, now when that when that goes out, would the would the the entity interested in that, would

they incur all the costs for either um remodeling the building or would that be something that the airport would have to do or or is that negotiable between

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Probably be negotiable on on on the of them uh renovating it or if they want the airport to do it, then would have to

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Well, I just want to make sure that you know if the airport's going to incur if the airport's going to incur the cost, don't come down to the legislature to to ask for money for the renovation. Huh?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Well, most likely whoever's going to ask for it will probably..

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. So So make make sure they're the ones that renovate the building, okay. What What What do you think the top priorities of the airport? Maybe maybe two or three top priorities of the airport at this point. I mean, I know there are a lot of priorities. I mean, I I get this and sometimes I feel like I'm the operations manager because I get this. I mean, when it's raining, we have the uh these jetways that are are just like leaking really bad. I mean, I know we ordered five already, right? When when are they when are they slated to come?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Priority, I guess, for the for the would be the capital improvement project to to get that uh the capital improvement going and then also um to maximize on on non-airline uh revenues. Then enhance passenger experience, you know, getting the airport up and ready for

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Is the the flooring already done with the Terzo? Is that all done? Is that is that all done?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: So, that's completed already.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes, it's it's uh been uh repaired from the last storm.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Now, let let me ask this and and again uh relative to the first time ever that the that GIAA had uh come to the legislature for for more funding. Um in your opinion, do you think the airport will need more funding again next year from the legislature?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: It would depend on how the revenues come up with the the passengers and payment. Our revenues that uh come in from for the next year's budget if if we need it then I don't think we'll come back.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yeah. Well, I'm hoping not because I mean you know this legislature 38th Guam Legislature have given the airport the mechanism the the tools the essential to be able to again um enter into into long-term leases with with actually maybe even companies and my understanding there are airline companies that are very interested in coming in. As a matter of fact, I think it was just a couple months ago, Senator Dueñas and I um uh toured and it it was the during the the last military exercise here that the um that they um flew a couple of those um hypersonic um vehicles uh out of the airport and they were I think if I'm not mistaken they're housed currently in California and I we had mentioned to them Senator Chris Dueñas and I mentioned to them that, hey, look, we we uh we we have the we have the property here in the airport. You guys can house these things out here because they're going to be here in this um this part of the world, the Indo PayCom area consistently for exercises. And we said, "Hey, how's uh your uh your uh vehicle and and and get your um your um

your operations to to move out here since this is the area that you're going to be operating on." And I know they were very interested in uh in uh in that situation.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: They're very interested, but they will not uh deal if it's only going to be a short-term lease, 50 years. If you give them 50 years, they would invest. But if you don't give them the 50 years and it's going to be hard for them to make their money back from what they

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yeah. Well, that's why cuz we we gave you we gave you the the the mechanism to be able of of course I mean and that's that's a company that uh that will invest uh I mean again tens of millions if not hundred millions of dollars you know to their oper to their operations and they would they would invest for major infrastructure if they were going to, they were going to house their uh their vehicles out here their hypersonic vehicles out here and and and uh and serviced out here. So they would be uh uh they would invest a lot. With that being said, uh okay. Um let me see with uh Senator Perez.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair, and good afternoon to everyone here. Um, so Jesse, um, yeah, just I guess the the basic question is, um, what is, uh, driving you to accept the nomination today?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: My expertise is more of into construction, CIP projects and stuff like that, right? The budgetary, we have other people on the board that handles that are experts in budgets and stuff like that. My my mission is to make sure that whatever is being built or or constructed is is done properly and if there's any issues that's what I would uh come in with my expertise and for the airport.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. Thank you. And so in one of the test um executive manager testimony he stated that uh you have been instrumental in

the creation of guidance policies, approvals of CIP's, acceptance of grant funding and the awarding of various bids of proposal submissions in response to IFBs and RFPs. Um so how do you ensure um fairness as well as how do you maximize revenues in your in the guidance that you have provided uh to the airport?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Just we just make sure that the the package that's being put out is the is uh is uh what the intent of the project is. Right. So I I just make sure that the item that that's being put out. I make sure it's being followed of what's the the the that's on the bid, whatever's information is on the bid, and make sure that the people they're going to select is proper and correct.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. And then what about maximizing revenues? Because u we're at a critical time in the airport's history. Uh you know, we've just passed a bill uh to help fund some of the gaps. And of course, that's not all. It's related to the economy right now, the downturn in our one of our biggest drivers. Um, and so what is your position on maximizing revenues for the airport?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So there's a lot of things that uh wish list, right? So whatever the wish list is, we can afford it or not. If we can't afford it, then we won't put it in. We see how can we we uh do about it, but still run efficient.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: In regards to concessions. So that's what I'm talking about is how do you gather gain what is your I guess your guidance when it comes to trying to obtain the most revenue because um you know to help offset the loss. Is there a, what is your general guidance regarding that?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: On on that part of um trying to generate the best revenue for for the thing for our concessions, right? See um who are who are uh trying to come into the airport and without uh disrupting what we have already and if we whatever we have if we can make it work with the people that are trying to come in. So we can minimize spending.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. So what about maximizing revenue?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Try to guess the best bang for our buck on the on the revenue, right? whoever's coming in, see what they can afford and and work with them to make sure that it's a workable uh product or or

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Have you a good relationship with GEDA in regards to looking for I mean of course not I didn't mean it that way but in regards to um you know looking for opportunities that will bring in uh greater revenue uh for the airport at at this very critical time. Uh is that something the board has um engaged with GEDA in that way? And when was the last time and what was that? Can you just walk me through that?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Funding that we have besides the GEDA, right? We got the FAA and stuff like that. We have people on the board and and our our uh people at the airport that would be trying to track where is the best way to get uh revenues and and funding to support our operations at the airport.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. So, who is that on your team?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: There there's a couple. We have board members that that that that are good in in the budget budget area and then we have uh people at the airport that that uh from engineering and our consultants and and um the administration, they they've been through these process of uh selecting and getting projects done. So they they know what what can and what we can do.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Yeah. I'd be interested to get more information regarding that because I think um you know there's an opportunity with the airport. Um what are your thoughts about uh creating an industrial park within the airport itself?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: That that's so the industrial park if we create the industrial park, right? It doesn't have to be for uh air airport use. We we we can expand it out to the outside uh companies that come in to work within the the the industrial part of what what we have at the airport that's available.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: So, you're saying it's inconsistent with the the regulations or is it just something that hasn't been really been vetted?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: If we open up a industrial park, so you you can do a uh company that wants to do a airplanes or or um whatever that deal with the airport. And then we got some properties that would probably be best for some kind of commercial other business. See what we can get the best out of uh leasing our properties.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Has there been any planning in regards to that? As far as the airport is concerned?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I I believe the airport had a plan for industrial park.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. There there was a plan.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. Yes.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. Uh is that been updated? When was the last time that was um assessed and re-evaluated? Um do do you remember do you..

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I I don't I don't recall. Uh but I know that there was a plan for the industrial park.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. Um this is a nomination. So maybe I could talk to the executive manager another time. But yeah, that's something I really would like to, you know, when we're talking about, you know, this is a a very hand all hands on deck I feel time for the airport.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: To get revenue in for the airport.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: It's all hands on deck. got to do everything in our power to try to rebound economically. And um you know, I'll be happy to talk with the executive manager after this because I I don't want to you know, crowd your your your confirmation hearing, but if is this something that you' be willing to prioritize or what what is your yeah position on on prioritizing this type of um planning?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Well, uh that that would be uh one of the I guess one of our priorities is to to see how can we get more revenue into the airport, which would be probably leasing out our properties that are available for the industrial park.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. Yeah. I mean, the goal really is to get you back on your feet, right? Um while we're working on getting tourism back. Um in regards to, see yeah, let's talk about tourism so what do you think the role of the airport is in helping tourism rebound and what can you do specifically uh to ensure that happens or at least support that recovery?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: well we're going to need to work with our partners down at GVB and and the airport to to see how can we get the airlines to get more uh passengers to come to Guam.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Yeah. So I' I've heard or I've read actually read um that you know the airport's one of the first things that visitors see and so there were there was reports out that um noticed like the uh nonoperating escalators uh you know maybe perhaps the bathrooms that kind of thing. So, you know, being that your your expertise is um CIP projects, um is this something that uh how would how can you contribute to making sure that the first thing this tourist sees when they step off the plane to have a really a positive image of Guam as they go through the airport? What What are some of the improvements?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So, like like the escalators, you talk about the escalators. So, a lot of them are are um it's the parts, right? The that the escalator uses. You can't just use another company's parts. It has to be that particular brand part for that uh escalator. So, those are uh we're working with the vendors to get the get that sorted out to make sure that they have more um available parts should it break down and then you know uh try to have the maintenance of the airport uh uh more. I actually I just had um lunch with some people and you know that's one of the priorities that we need to do is to make it more presentable.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. Thank you for sharing. But yes uh I see the difficulty if it's one company, one vendor, right? Um do you see uh with your background is what do you see as a way to overcome these challenges?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: You know, it a lot of it is it boils down to funding, right? So, with what the airport has, we need to work with what fundings we have to to get it uh going, but we just need to to have uh more uh eyes on on on the issues of the airport and and get it um repaired as soon as possible. something breaks down, we get it repaired.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay, I appreciate that answer. Um, in regards to travel by board members, um, what is the need for travel by board members? Do you see the need for board members to travel to other places?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Well, it depends on what what the travel is for, right? Uh, there's some the airport management may may send people, but the the issue that they're going out for. It may need uh somebody that is more has more expertise in that field to to travel with with the board uh with the management to to make sure that it they get the support and make sure whatever the management is going out for it's um being done right.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. So, can you give an specific example?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: For example, uh like meetings with the FAA. So if you're going to go out and and meet with FAA for a certain project. So depending on what project is it, is it um for uh building repairs or is it for um uh funding of of uh stuff within the airport or budget? Is it a thing where we're going to ask FAA for for money? So there there's people on the board that that have that expertise. So those are the ones that should be going on the travel.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Uh so I know the airport has been uh many many uh hearings or they've come before the legislature regarding CIP projects. Um you know being that uh there is a need for is there a need for additional funding to get these CIP projects completed or do you foresee that they're going to be stalled?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Um of course uh for the CIP projects right you see the escalation of materials and stuff like that. So whatever projects that were ongoing today uh last year and still continuing through the year and

escalation of materials have gone up. So there's going to have to be uh request to increase.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Uh what is your view on additive manufacturing? Can that be one way to cover the gaps in regards to uh parts? Has the airport looked into that to see if we can get more uh lower the cost of parts and uh decrease the delays in getting those parts?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: It's the availability of the if they if they can produce it here and how much is it going to be cost here versus buying it from off island. It's all an economic

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. And uh do you foresee any conflict of interest? Um, I know you work in the private sector. Um, yeah. So, uh, yeah. Do you foresee any conflicts of interest with the, um, company that you're working for?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Should that ever arise, I would just have myself, uh, not be involved in the in the operation, but I don't see our the company I work for, uh, bidding on anything for the airport at this point.

SENATOR SABINA F. PEREZ: Okay. Thank you so much for your responses and um yeah, *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'*

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you uh Senator uh Perez. Actually you know first lady and Senator if you want to go back to seat, sorry to keep you up there. Uh sorry about that.

JOHN M. QUINATA, EXECUTIVE MANAGER: I'm itching to answer.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: We can turn this into an oversight if you want. You want to do that? I said we can turn this into an oversight. You want to do that? No. No. You want to do that? Okay. Thank you. Senator uh Taitague.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Good afternoon to my colleagues. And uh good afternoon, Jesse. You thought I had tough questions, you know. Well, first uh thank you for wanting to continue to serve and um I I think you you can bring a lot to the table. uh especially you know your experience as a deputy um general manager or deputy director of uh department public works and public works right. How long were you there?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Well I retired from the government 32 years.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: How long?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I retired from the government,

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Just move your mic a little bit closer.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I retired from the government 32 years.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Yeah so so you know about procurement too you're pretty familiar about procurement and if there's anything um that the airport can you know, your your expertise is not just you know in construction part but it's also procurement and that's that's important to to have under your belt. Um this you were how long you've been sitting on the board? What what was the year that you started?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: It's about four years. I believe 2022.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: 2022?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes correct when Belanger uh vacated the position.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: So, it's 2022. So, when did you uh know that the airport was in trouble financially? When did you find out? What year was that? That you knew they were in financial problems?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Probably right after I got on the board.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Sorry?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: After I got on the board.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: After you got onto the board. So, that was back in 2022. So that being said, I mean, you know, having to uh come to this body, you know, with the the shock of having a first time having to to bail out the airport and knowing it since 2022 when you just got on the board, the the financial issues that they were having, you know, I have to ask you um few, you know, questions with regards to was was a lot of it having to do with re the revenue collapsing?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. The the tourism and everything that deals with the airport.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Landing fees etc. Okay. What about poor financial planning?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Pardon?

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Poor financial planning.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Well, it because of the downturn of of uh revenues from passengers, it affects the airport's operation.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: So, no, I mean poor financial planning like into the future. You know that they're already in trouble, you know, have you seen any kind of financial planning to adjust to this situation? So, is there any adjustment being made?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: With with the board, right? We like what I said earlier, there's experts on on the budget, money, financing, and stuff like that. And everybody comes to the table with different expertise. So we have people that that are watching that on the board. So whatever they bring up and we discuss it and then we we come up with solutions. So it's not just one person making decisions.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: So basically there was really no financial planning or something brought in front of the board to look at to address that cliff that was happening at the air at the airport.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yeah. Well, they're we're trying to see how can we we we work together with with other uh

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: So, I'm going to ask you a question. Yes or no? Do you think there was poor financial planning?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Man, it's hard to,

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Are you gonna plead the fifth?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Hard to say.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: It's hard to say. Okay. So then how about um you know the board oversight gaps you know with with the board overseeing you know things that should have been like the financial planning like a plan that should have been put in place. So that this cliff like readjusting um at the airport or the cost on increasing certain parts or the construction because you knew that that this was coming they were in trouble at the time.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: The the thing with the airport, right? The, it depends on the like the inbound passengers. We're not getting the fees for from the airlines for for the passengers and stuff. So, it's hard to say because it's up and down. It's not um guarantee that we're going to get the the amount of passengers we want.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: How about failure of managed uh FAA obligation grants? Um were you ensuring that to make sure that all your uh responsibility like the reserve account for um that needed to be in place to meet the obligations of your bond covenants? Um were you aware of this reserve account not reaching the required amount of deposit?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Me personally, I I did I I didn't have

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: Jesse, I know you have a lot of great, you know, strengths uh that you can contribute to the airport, but right now those strengths need to be focused a lot on the financials of the airport. And as a board member, you know, just like a legislature, it's like we're we're a jack of all trades, really a master of none at this point. And when board members sit on the board,

it's, you know, you don't have these, you know, shutters on the side of your eyes to only focus on one thing. And I know you to be a very smart individual. You know, a lot of great people have talked well about you and you're you're hardworking. So, I ask that you you put that gear in in forward when it comes to, you know, financial planning at the airport. Um contingency plans, you know, to be put in place because, you know, coming here and asking for money, the airport asking for money, it was just a shock to us. and um that everyone's questioning there could have been other things that could have been put in place to avoid this. Um, I know that federal money is no longer falling from the sky anymore with, you know, all the COVID ARP funding and that was helping you to survive, but um, I think that, uh, you need to think of how to continue to keep the airport afloat, whether it is closing off portions of the airport, you know, and or staying within your means. There needs to be a way, Jess. You know, you've been there since 2022, and that's why I asked you about that. I had confidence in your appointment. You came before us, and um I haven't lost my confidence in you, uh because I know you're a smart individual, and I ask that you um diversify your your ability to to seek outside of just construction, but start looking at the financial perspective. And I think you can I know you can do that.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yeah, I'll I'll work with the board with the other board members

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: With the board and and of course with uh the accountant at at uh at the airport, you know, find out especially on the reserve account. That's probably the first thing you might want to check, you know, why that uh reserve count is not at a level that it should be uh to sustain the uh bond covenant requirement.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I'll make it a point.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE: I appreciate that. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair, and good luck to you, Jess.

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: Senator Gumataotao, any questions for the nominee?

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Yes, thank you, Mr. Chair, and Jess. Thanks for stepping forward. There's got to be a doctor somewhere that's probably puzzled that you even took this appointment and doing this again. And I'm talking about the doctor of laws in your family saying, "Why are you why is my dad doing this again?" Uh, but uh kudos to you for wanting to step forward. Can I ask you I I have a little bit different perspective of the the role of the board in in what they do at the at the airport authority. I know there's been a lot of talk about streamlining. When you when you think about steam streamlining yourself as as a board member, what does that mean to you in terms of your role and how you could guide the airport, not just financially but in other ways?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Well, whenever there's an issue with the with the whatever the the issues may come, right, I'll analyze and and see how can I better it and and make sure it happens, right? Not just say something and don't do it. What what I state is what I'm going to do is what I'll do.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: And it kind of goes back to your project management experience. I mean, you you've built some things that probably a lot of people in their careers probably won't ever do. Um, do you do you believe you lean on that expertise in the decisions that you make as a member of the board?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes, I do uh stand for what I say.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Now, let me ask you uh and I when we were talking with the other board appointments uh in the early in this term um as a public safety chair, I I mean I want to make sure that between the airport police and the air the ARF the airport fire in terms of giving them ensuring that they have not just the the resources to meet FAA requirements but also from a compensation point of view, can you at least carry to the board the ability to try to to find a way to get the the firemen and and the the airport police officers in a standard that can can help? I know the revenues are tight, but uh if you're streamlining, we shouldn't be streamlining this airport security to meet a mandate.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Safety is the main factor of the airport's operation, right? we don't have a safe airport, we can't operate efficient um um operations for FAA, right? It's all about safety and want to make sure that we get them to standard,

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: right? And I'm hoping that you'll be able to at least uh advocate for um that small workforce. I know there's other important work forces inside the building, but I'm hoping that uh moving forward that you and the other board members can uh ensure that those uh public safety and emergency management folks are taken care of.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Thank you. And I know that goes in line with much of your master planning. And then finally, just the idea of when you think about the next four years with the airport, is there one thing you think that they can do or the airport can do to kind of turn around what has been kind of a strange couple of years. I know that you can't control the yen, you cannot control airlines coming in, but what you of what you can control, what do you think is going to be the next big thing that the airport can do in the next four years?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Maybe if you're not getting the employments that that we need from the from the customers, right? So we probably shut down portion of the airport and operate out of one area instead of operating all the air conditioners at one time, right? We just operate in one area where we can manage. But at the same time, the area that we close on, we want to make sure that we still kind of have some kind of maintenance and stuff because you let it go, it's going to dilapidate.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: No, no, I agree. And so, you know, listen, I just wanted to ask you, oh, no, no. I appreciate that, Jess. And I I do appreciate you taking the time. I appreciate your family being here to support you because I I see them here. But uh just I wanted to let you know that I will be voting in the affirmative for your uh confirmation. So, thank you again for stepping forward to serve the people of Guam.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Thank you.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Thank you again, Jess. And thank you, Mr. Chair.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Thank you.

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: Welcome, Senator. Vice Speaker, you're recognized at this time.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: Uh thank you, Mr. Chair and thank you to the nominee for coming forward to for his reconfirmation hearing. Mr. Chair, just for the record, I am related to the nominee. However, I don't have a conflict of interest in sitting in the public hearing or uh my participation in this uh nominees uh confirmation hearing. Uh thank you, Mr. Garcia, for being here. Uh perhaps just a couple of questions. Where is there any conversation or anything that the airport

looks at in gaining additional revenues by looking for investors for hanger space or building of new facilities or things of that nature to bring them into the island.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So there there's been a lot of people that have have approached the airport and management on uh wanting to operate but because of uh some constraints that they had before but now that we have the 50-year lease it's probably opening it up now more to uh more people coming in to inquire.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: I see. And that's perhaps how we're going to be able to generate more revenues by leasing out more space airport properties for aviation related uh activities.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Aviation and non- aviation. Just to generate the revenues for the airport.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: And I think the other the other issue that has come up to my attention was the I guess between taxis and stroll or you know the those providers at the airport they were saying that there's some kind of issue in the arrival side uh when passengers come in. Has that been remedied and has that been brought up to the board's attention or?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I I can look into it. I haven't I haven't uh known of any issues yet. I I can find out.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: Okay. And then also on the the maintenance, you were main mentioning about the maintenance of the airport and uh perhaps shutting down a section but still maintaining it. How's our how is the the um the contractual services going with the maintenance uh companies?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So we we put bids out rate for the contractual services or maintenance and stuff. So, we make sure that uh they they stay up to par with uh the maintenance and that I guess that's where we may need to do a a better job of uh following up with uh with the contracts, make sure that they're being adhered to.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: And is there any other any other activities that perhaps we should know about the influx of perhaps new revenue that could be coming in or?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: So we have a board hearing uh board uh uh meeting tomorrow and and we're we're going to be talking about those uh things coming up for the concessions and and food and beverage and see how much we can.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: How much of the counter space and the arrivals area downstairs are still vacant.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I don't know, but we have six uh uh vendors that came in for car rental space.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: Okay.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: But and I think there's still a few more available

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: There's still we're still able to put additional vendors downstairs.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: Is that, how's that leased out? Is that a first come first serve? Is it on a

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Oh, it's a bid, right? Bid process.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: Bid process. Okay. All right. And the the other area that I was um how does the airport parking lot uh operations work now? Is that still part of the airport or is that part of a private contractor?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: It's a private contractor uh controlling the the the parking area.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: Okay. So, we don't have to worry about that section of the the airport that the contractor takes care of all the

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yeah. But we still need to make sure they do what they're supposed to do, right?

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: All right. And pretty much all the construction that has been going on in the past is pretty much completed. Any

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: No, there's still still a lot of construction ongoing. Aprons and stuff like that. The roof repairs.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: And I'm sure that anytime a project comes up that has been awarded to a certain contractor that you recuse yourself whenever you need to.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: If if there's a conflict, I would recuse myself of all of that.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: Thank you, Mr. see here for your your time and wanting to be at the airport again for another 3 years. Uh there's going to be a lot it's going to be a lot of work to to do up there. And I I'm sure that you know working up there you're going to be able to get these things uh sorted out and you know perhaps maybe next year we don't have to come back to the legislature and look for additional funding.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: To be able to close that gap. We need people to travel.

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA: I see people in the back there that uh be able to help the s turn that into a into a positive revenue up at the airport. Right. Thank you, Mr. Garcia. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Senator Dueñas?

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: *Si Yu'os Ma'ãse'*, Mr. Chairman, and thank you, Jesse John, for accepting uh the nomination. Um, yeah, I look at things a little different. Uh, having worked with many boards before in my capacity as a director, I I look for diversity. I look for different kinds of experience and I definitely look for folks who have experience and so I just wanted to mention a few things and just ask you directly if you think these are invaluable skills uh that uh that you bring to the board. I I look at your training. OSHA construction industry course. US Army Corps of uh engineers, construction quality management for contractors, GPD-SWAT with special ops training group. FEMA incident command, FEMA management institute. Uh you you're definitely uh take your civic responsibilities uh very serious for civilian volunteer police reserve office. Um and and I just think that um you were supervisor of the year before becoming um you know eventually the Director of

Public Works um and also uh Saladictorian 9th uh police reserve cycle. I say these things and I wanted to basically ask one question uh in specific. I I know that um when the airport came down to discuss the issues regarding uh not only budget but their operations, we know that there's predominantly federal funds that have come in for many of the projects that are ongoing. And so uh you know there's of course a local match, but your expertise uh do you look at your position on the board as being able to provide a lot of input into these projects, how they're moving forward and how they get done?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: I I see myself as an asset for the airport to to oversee these projects that are u related to my my expertise or safety and and stuff like that construction.

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: And I look at your resume as well and that's noted here in your packet. Uh you have extensive project management work with Black Construction Corporation, uh Johnson Controls, um you know, other major companies. Uh I think and then of course emergency op center, Department of Homeland Security, obviously you have a lot of work not only with security within the airport, but also inclement weather, storms, you've worked with civil defense. Do you look at that also for preparation of the airport as something that's very valuable on the board to be able to continue to monitor those?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. I guess the most important thing about storms right is the recovery. The faster we get it cleaned up, the faster we can operate, can generate revenue.

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: And you make yourself available for those kind of things.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: Getting that op getting that airport open and operational. I see your ops guys here and everything else. You look like you have a great deal of support from the airport. So you you you see yourself as getting involved in that and that role if the board has to convene for any emergency reasons or the like to to make sure you move on getting that airport turned around quickly. Correct?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes. If I'm available, I'm always at the board meetings.

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: So I just wanted to uh uh for you to express you know your um your process of your board meetings. I'm sure you have finance divisions and others that are constantly making the reports and you can make your decisions uh based on how they present the information. Correct?

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

SENATOR CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS, VICE CHAIR: Jesse. You know, I know you uh personally uh to be a man of few words, but I know you to be a man of many actions and they are detailed and uh somebody who's very responsible and has a great reputation out there for your diligence and getting the job done and also your ability to make uh decisions based on information presented before you. I thank you for accepting uh the nomination. I look at your extensive experience within your your packet and knowing you uh personally and I look forward uh to being able to vote for you to continue your service on the airport board. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

JESSE G. GARCIA, APPOINTEE: Thank you.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Um Senator Dueñas, who happens to be the uh uh Vice Chair of this Committee as well. Do we have anybody – anything else? Vice Speaker? Senator Shawn? Nothing else? Senator uh Perez – nothing? That being said, uh Jess, thank you very much for um uh coming in this afternoon for your appointment hearing. Uh with that, will conclude that uh – this portion of the public hearing.

[Committee moves into Bill No. 316-38 (COR)]

III. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee *finds* that the appointee, Jesse G. Garcia, possesses substantial experience in construction, project management, public works, safety and emergency preparedness that will continue to provide valuable expertise to the Guam International Airport Authority Board of Directors.

The Committee *further finds* that Mr. Garcia has demonstrated a commitment to applying his expertise, strengthening oversight and supporting the long-term sustainability of the GIAA.

The Committee reports the appointment of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member, Guam International Airport Authority Board of Directors, with the recommendation TO DO CONFIRM.