

On Mar 16, 2015, at 5:43 PM, "[dan.neil@avionics.bz](mailto:dan.neil@avionics.bz)" <[dan.neil@avionics.bz](mailto:dan.neil@avionics.bz)> wrote:

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To Pierce County Chairman Dan Roach, and the Pierce County Council:

My name is Dan Neil, owner of Avionics Shop, Inc. Located at Tacoma Narrows Airport for 26+ years. I am also severely hearing disabled.

Now that BOTH Airport Advisory Committee's have passed a non-binding resolution advising that the gates at both airports to remain open during business hours.....

Now that you have received testimony from concerned airport businesses, users and residents, about keeping the gates open for business hours as well....

As you know, the gates at Thun Field has been closed 24/7 since August 2014. It has been harming one of my customers over there, being denied customer drive up access.

How much longer will it take to permanently resolve this issue?

I realize that this is a very small issue to the Council, as it deals with much larger issues demanding all of your attention(s). But it is a very big deal to those of us businesses located at both airports. Please Direct Deb Wallace to remedy the situation.

I appreciate the tough jobs you all have.

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Dan,

The administration of the airports falls under the purview of the County Executive. I have met with the Director of Public Works, who is Deb Wallace's boss to let them know I am open to looking at options.

One option I discussed with my staff would be to have the gates open during the daytime hours and secured for the evening hours. We could do this on a year basis and analyze the pros and cons of that option. The County Council's authority is as a legislative body.

I will have my staff contact you on the next steps and a timeline.

Thank you,  
Pat