Envisioning Austin's Airport of the Future ABIA 2040 MASTER PLAN

Why Is the Master Plan Needed

Answering the question, "What can ABIA become?" is the central focus of the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (ABIA) Master Plan. A steady increase in travelers, domestic and international flights, new technologies and passenger safety regulations make it necessary for us to envision how the airport meets future needs.

ABIA was originally constructed in 1999. The airport covers 4,242 acres, including two runways and three helipads. It was originally designed to serve 11 million passengers. The Master Plan will reflect the anticipated doubling of passenger growth from 12.4 million annual passengers in 2016 to more than 20 million annual passengers.

About the Master Plan

The master planning process is being conducted in three phases and will take into account input from residents, business, trade organizations and non-profit groups, local and federal agencies and city and regional planners.

Phase I: Visioning

Phase II: Draft Master Plan Phase III: Final Master Plan

Once completed the 2040 ABIA Master Plan will cover a 20-year time span, addressing emerging aviation technologies and the effect of the future growth and expansion of the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

Facts About ABIA

Since 2014, ABIA has undergone \$466 million in expansions through improvements in parking, terminal and taxiway expansion.

ABIA continued to experience robust passenger traffic in 2017 with a record 13.8 million travelers, up more than 11.5 percent from 2016.

ABIA is now the 35th busiest airport for total passengers in the United States. Annual passenger total increased by 7 percent between 2009 and 2016.

ABIA is self-sustaining, generating enough revenue to cover operating costs and future improvements.



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Project Timeline



2017

2018







VISIONING PHASE

Outlines overall direction and develops vision statement through data collection and public meetings.

DRAFT PLAN

Defines specific improvements and phases for the development of the Master Plan.

FINAL PLAN

A Final scope of work, schedule and budget will be prepared and submitted to ABIA for approval.

Public Input Integral to the Planning Process

The ABIA Master Plan Team will hold public meetings on the proposed project to provide information about the preliminary visioning and potential community impacts, and to solicit public comments, feedback and suggestions. These meetings will be comprised of information stations for selected subject areas (i.e., forecasts, airfield, terminal, landside access, etc.) affording members of the public an opportunity to review and discuss aspects of the master plan with members of the team and ABIA staff. Please visit our website for more details on upcoming ABIA Master Plan meetings.

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