

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER
OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH TO REVISE CERTAIN PROVISIONS
REGARDING THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE AIRPORT
COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO AIRPORT PROPERTY

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3 the City has been vested by the State of Georgia with legislative power to adopt clearly reasonable ordinances, resolutions, or regulations relating to its affairs; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-35-6 the City's Home Rule Power may not extend to any matter preempted by the General Assembly via enactment of general law; and

WHEREAS, incident to its home rule power, the City may amend its charter provided such action does not affect the composition, form, procedure for election or appointment, continuance in office and limitation therefor for members of City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, in regular meeting of Council assembled, and pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3, after proper notice and advertisement in accordance therewith, that the Charter of the City of Savannah, Section 8-415, *Rights in airport property* be amended by deleting the language stricken through below and by adding the language underscored below:

Sec. 8-415 Rights in airport property.

The Airport Commission shall have the right to acquire, own, lease and to hold title in its own name to all lands and improvements for airport purposes, and to convey, sell and lease lands and improvements acquired by said Commission, and the right, title, equity and interest to all lands and improvements now used or which may hereafter be used or acquired, whether within or without the corporate limits of the City of Savannah, are hereby vested in the Savannah Airport Commission and their successors. Said ownership to include the approaches, runways, easements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto applying and belonging in said lands and in any other lands or other improvements which may hereafter be acquired for municipally-operated airports are vested in said Airport Commission; provided, however, that no sales or conveyances or agreements for the ~~lease, grant or sale~~ or conveyance of any of the properties acquired for airport purposes shall be made by the Savannah Airport Commission until said proposed sale or conveyance has been approved by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah; ~~and further provided, that any and all agreements or contracts for the expenditure of any sums in excess of one thousand dollars for any single project or purchase or undertaking shall be approved by the Mayor and Aldermen.~~

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED: this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Van R. Johnson II, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mark Massey, Clerk of Council