

Paslay Group Selected to Lead Executive Program Management for Charleston International Airport's Terminal Expansion

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Paslay Group, a leading airport consultancy firm, announced today its selection to provide Executive Program Management (EPM) services for the Charleston International Airport's (CHS) Terminal Development Program. This strategic partnership will support the airport's ambitious expansion plans in one of the fastest-growing regions in the US.

CHS, South Carolina's busiest airport, experienced a record-breaking year in 2023 with 6.2 million passengers, a significant 15% increase compared to 2022. To accommodate this growth and enhance the passenger experience, the airport is currently in the design phase of its Terminal Development Program. This program includes potential additions of up to nine new gates across both the East and West Concourses, an expanded ticketing hall and security checkpoint, a modernized baggage handling system, and improvements to the terminal loop road.

"Our 2023 numbers demonstrate that CHS is South Carolina's favorite airport among airline passengers, and our growth trends are expected to continue," said Elliott Summey, CHS CEO and executive director. "We're pleased to partner with Paslay Group to ensure overall success of our program so that Charleston International Airport continues to provide Lowcountry business and leisure passengers and our airline partners an exceptional experience."

Paslay Group's proven expertise will be crucial in leading the CHS EPM team. Jim Young, a seasoned civil engineer with over 40 years of experience in large-scale airport infrastructure projects, will spearhead the team. Maria Mendoza, an accomplished architect with extensive experience in complex aviation and commercial projects, will serve as the Design Manager.

Paul Blue, Paslay Group partner and president of PG Executive Program Management, said the firm is pleased to serve the dynamic Charleston County Aviation Authority team at a time when demand for travel is proving the economic value of enhanced and efficient airport terminal facilities.

A recent University of South Carolina study revealed that CHS contributes a staggering \$4.5 billion annually to the state's economy, supporting 35,000 jobs through tourism and the presence of Charleston Air Force Base.

"Paslay Group is made up of former airport executives who love what they do and appreciate serving visionary airport owners who understand the positive economic impact that modern terminal facilities have on a region," Blue said. "We are looking forward to assisting the Charleston County Aviation Authority in realizing its vision and providing new terminal facilities worthy of one of our nation's most beloved destinations."