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MSP begins redevelopment efforts for Terminal 1 concessions Airport seeking new businesses to attend upcoming information sessions



The Terminal 1 Airport Mall at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport. Courtesy of the Metropolitan Airports Commission

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL, Minn. — The Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) is launching the first major redevelopment of Terminal 1 concessions at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP) in nearly a decade.

This summer, the MAC will release a request for proposals (RFP) including more than 45 food, beverage and retail spaces across Terminal 1, which serves hub carrier Delta Air Lines and 10 other airlines. In preparation for the RFP release, the MAC is hosting a series of information sessions designed to help local and small business owners understand the RFP process and learn what is involved in operating at MSP.

“The MAC is proud of its strong partnerships with local entrepreneurs, and we’re committed to expanding opportunities for homegrown businesses to thrive at MSP, which serves more than 36 million travelers each year,” said Isabella Rhawie, MAC vice president and commercial revenue officer. “This is a prime opportunity for Minnesota-based small and emerging businesses to broaden their reach within an award-winning concessions program at one of the nation’s largest airports.”

The MSP concessions program encompasses approximately 125 venues across two terminals. The last major redevelopment of Terminal 1 concessions was completed in 2017, with the opening of 35 restaurants and stores.

Informational session topics:

- Why airports offer unique and exciting business opportunities
- How concessions spaces are allocated and how leases are structured
- An overview of the MAC’s small business program
- Key milestones and timelines for the summer 2026 Terminal 1 concessions RFP

Virtual informational sessions:

Wednesday, March 25

2-3 p.m. Central

Wednesday, April 22

2-3 p.m. Central

In-person information session:

Thursday, April 2

1-3 p.m. Central

Metropolitan Airports Commission – General Offices

6040 S. 28th Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55450

Interested business operators should register for the information sessions at metroairports.org/DoMSP.

MSP is the 17th busiest U.S. airport by passengers, offering travelers nonstop service to 167 destinations in 2026, including 35 international routes to Mexico, Canada, the Caribbean, Europe and Asia. MSP has been named the best mega airport for customer and traveler satisfaction in back-to-back years in the annual [J.D. Power North America Airport Satisfaction Study](#). MSP has earned the highest ranking in customer satisfaction for mega airports in three out of the past four years.

[About The Metropolitan Airports Commission \(MAC\)](#)

The Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) owns and operates one of the nation's largest airport systems, including [Minneapolis-St. Paul International \(MSP\)](#) and six general aviation airports. The MAC's airports connect the region to the world and showcase Minnesota's extraordinary culture to millions of passengers from around the globe who arrive or depart through MAC airports each year. Though a public corporation of the state of Minnesota, the organization is not funded by income or property taxes. Instead, the MAC's operations are funded by rents and fees generated by users of its airports. For more information, visit www.metroairports.org.

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