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## MSP Airport kicks off a new era for concessions

The Metropolitan Airports Commission will issue an RFP for 47 new venues



The Metropolitan Airports Commission will release its 2026 concessions RFP on May 26 to develop 47 new venues at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport. Courtesy of the Metropolitan Airports Commission

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL, Minn. — Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP) will undergo its most significant concessions redevelopment in more than a decade to open 47 new venues across its two terminals by 2029.

A request for proposals (RFP) will be released on May 26 outlining the redevelopment of 80,000 square feet — 40% of MSP’s total concessions program — for food, beverage, retail, news and convenience, and spa venues. MSP is the 17th busiest U.S. airport, with 15 airlines providing nonstop service to 167 domestic and international destinations. The airport served more than 36 million passengers in 2025.

“We’ve developed an RFP based on a tremendous amount of research about what travelers and customers want while also leaning into emerging trends both in and outside the industry,” said Isabella Rhawie, MAC vice president and commercial revenue officer. “We’re looking to curate a strong mix of national and Minnesota-based businesses to offer more choices, brands and experiences for MSP passengers.”

Interested businesses must attend a June 8 pre-proposal meeting to be considered. The submission deadline is Aug. 25, 2026. Find more information on the RFP at [metroairports.org/DoMSP](https://metroairports.org/DoMSP).

The RFP outlines concession types grouped into 10 proposal batches, or leases, with specific unit locations across Terminal 1 (five concourses and the Airport Mall) and Terminal 2.

The MAC’s concessions program developed the RFP to bring in a fresh lineup of concepts that focus on these high-value customer desires:

- Increased access to coffee
- More local or national quick-service brand options
- Improved convenience with food markets and shop-in-shop retail
- Enhanced passenger dwell space in the Terminal 1 Airport Mall

This RFP complements a smaller concessions makeover currently underway in Terminal 2 consisting of eight new units. The first of those venues opened this spring. The final units will open in conjunction with the completion of the Terminal 2 North Expansion project in early 2027. The new venues are Hometown Market, Caribou Coffee, Subway, McDonald’s, illycaffè (pre-security) and B.A.R. Flights, along with Caribou Coffee and Lucky’s 13, located in the new north expansion.

The last redevelopment of concessions in Terminal 1 concluded in 2017 with the opening of 35 units.

### **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 \(MSP\)](https://metroairports.org/DoMSP) 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](http://www.metroairports.org).*

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