

# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-2376, Agenda Item #: 3.

12/11/2025

#### Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the building lease with DHL Express (USA), Inc., to include portions of the Airport cargo apron area for aircraft parking positions and cargo handling area for air freight and mail handling operations at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport, commencing on January 1, 2026. Funding: This item is projected to be revenue neutral in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Operating Budget of Austin Aviation.

## Lead Department

Austin Aviation.

### Fiscal Note

This item is projected to be revenue neutral in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Aviation Operating Budget. The item consolidates DHL Express (USA), Inc.'s existing contracts related to the lease and use of cargo apron areas and cargo handling areas into the Building Lease. Accordingly, DHL Express (USA), Inc.'s projected total rental revenue is unchanged.

#### For More Information:

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#### Council Committee. Boards and Commission Action:

This item was approved at the Austin Airport Advisory Commission meeting on November 13, 2025 on a 6-0-0-5 vote.

## Additional Backup Information:

Austin Aviation seeks to streamline the contracts with cargo carriers related to the lease and use of cargo apron areas, cargo handling areas, and the lease and use cargo buildings by incorporating the cargo apron area and cargo handling area square footage into the cargo building leases. DHL Express (USA), Inc. (DHL) currently has a cargo building lease with the City for a term of occupancy through February 28, 2030. Under this amendment, DHL will have preferential use of approximately 19,684 square feet of cargo handling space in the cargo handling area and approximately 58,489 square feet of aircraft parking area in the Airport cargo apron area.