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SLC AIRPORT COMMEMORATES FIRST 100 YEARS

What: The Year was 1920. World War I had just ended and women had gained the right to vote. Also, a jazz musician named Louis Armstrong was becoming a household name. Meanwhile, on a cold, windswept plain near the Great Salt Lake, a group of visionaries gathered to break ground on Salt Lake City's first permanent airplane landing field. Fast forward 100 years. That landing field has grown into what is now the gateway to Utah—the Salt Lake City International Airport.

When: December 21 at 5:30 p.m. The Salt Lake City Department of Airports will commemorate its 100-year anniversary with a small gathering in the brand new airport. The release of an airport history book is planned along with the screening of a documentary about the building of The New SLC. In addition, the bust of an important figure in Salt Lake City Airport's history will be unveiled and a final item will be placed in the airport time capsule by the Salt Lake City Council.

Where: The Greeting Room, which is located in the Terminal of the Salt Lake City International Airport. From the second level (or short-term parking) take the pedestrian bridges to the Terminal. The Greeting Room is located just outside of the glass wall separating the secure and non-secure area of the airport. Parking is available in the new media parking lot (for larger media vehicles) and in the new parking garage, for which validations will be provided.

Who: -Bill Wyatt, Executive Director, Salt Lake City Department of Airports
-Chris Wharton, Chair, Salt Lake City Council
-Others will be available for interviews, including the documentary filmmakers.

RSVP: Please RSVP by Sunday, December 20 at 5 p.m. to nancy.volmer@slcgov.com
This is a private event and due to the current restrictions on public gatherings the number of attendees will be limited. Masks are required to be worn in the airport and attendees are asked to physically distance during the event.

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