

Owner

Austin Bergstrom International Airport

Contract Type Signs

General Contractor Austin Commercial

Engineering Firm PGAL Austin

SIGNS CASE STUDY

Austin Bergstrom International Airport (ABIA) and Austin Commercial trusted the expertise of Facility Solutions Group with upgraded signage solutions.

Challenge

The Austin Airport was impressed with a signage project completed by FSG Signs at a nearby Rental Car multi-story parking garage. So ABIA's general contractor Austin Commercial invited FSG Signs to bid on their upcoming garage expansion, which we won from multiple bids.

The parking garage was our initial project, and the work grew from there over four years. A wide variety of over 300 signs were added around the airport complex including: Exterior and interior directional signs; ADA signage; the airport name in channel letters on several buildings and the parking garage; several large retail pylon signs; custom stainless steel signs; and upgrading over 40 static directional and parking signs with LED digital displays by Daktronics, including massive 10' x 60' digital displays across 4 lanes of traffic.

The great working relationship between the FSG Signs team and Austin Commercial was critical to ensuring the rapidly expanding project went smoothly.

The project was challenging due to the sheer scope of tracking, designing, fabricating, assembling, testing and storing hundreds of different types and sizes of signs. Add to that the complexity of managing schedules for assembly of the digital displays and testing electronics to ensure functionality, scheduling installation around multiple contractors, and working around passenger traffic at the busy airport open 24/7.







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Solution

FSG's expertise in electrical and signage solutions was crucial to this project and a real advantage to Austin Commercial. For example, the larger digital displays required the installation of step down transformers at their bases and custom fuses. The testing process at our shop during assembly necessitated using a special 200 amp circuit just to power the signs up, and the ability to do so much in house truly sets us apart from other companies.

In the end, the airport acquired an upgraded appearance with high-quality distinctive signage designed for extreme weather conditions that will last for years to come. FSG is proud to have a part in adding a striking welcoming element at ABIA, an important gateway to Austin.

