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City of El Paso Announces Three New American Airline Direct Flights to Austin

EL PASO, TX — The City of El Paso is thrilled to announce that American Airlines will begin daily non-stop service to Austin-Bergstrom International Airport, tickets will go on sale, June 14, 2021, for flights starting September 8, 2021. American Airlines will then add a second direct flight in October and a third in November for a total of three daily non-stop flights to the State’s capital.

“We heard from our business community, our state delegation, our residents, and our City Council that we needed more direct flights to Austin. We listened and are excited to announce three direct flights to Austin,” said City Manager Tommy Gonzalez. “We are working on additional direct flights to other parts of the country. We know that increasing the number of direct flights is critical to growing business and leisure travel.”

The flight will be operated on an Embraer 175 aircraft and the schedule is as follows:

September:

Departs Austin 10:40 a.m. CST, arrives in El Paso 11:15 a.m. MST
Departs El Paso 11:45 a.m. MST, arrives in Austin 2:15 p.m. CST

October added flight:

Departs Austin 4:00 p.m. CST, arrives in El Paso 4:35 p.m. MST
Departs El Paso 5:05 p.m. MST, arrives in Austin 7:35 p.m. CST

November added flight:

Departs Austin 8:51 p.m. CST, arrives in El Paso 9:26 p.m. MST
Departs El Paso 7:30 a.m. MST, arrives in Austin at 10:00 a.m. CST

“We’re eager to add new service from El Paso to Austin, giving local customers another choice for their travel plans,” said Brian Znotins, American Airlines Vice President of Network Planning. “We look forward to welcoming more West Texas customers back to travel with American so they can experience all that Austin has to offer, as well as further connecting them to our global network.”

El Paso International Airport has been consistently performing above the national average when it comes to passenger traffic recovery coming out of the pandemic. This past April passenger traffic increased 685.5% over April of last year. This is the second announcement from American Airlines for new flights this year, announcing a daily flight to Charlotte in May, which will begin August 17, 2021.

For more information please visit, flyelpaso.com or to purchase tickets visit, aa.com.

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