

**3-116. Lease and use of airport.** The governing body, park board or airport authority, as hereinafter provided, may lease, assign or sublease the whole or any part of any such airport or municipal field for aviation purposes, to one or more responsible persons, associations or corporations, jointly or severally, for any purpose directly or incidentally and necessarily required for the successful and proper operation of such property upon such terms as shall insure the impartial operation thereof, and rendition of services and conveniences thereon, on an equal basis to all users of said airport or municipal field for aviation purposes. When any such airport has been wholly or partially developed or improved from funds received from the federal government, or any agency thereof, the governing body, park board or airport authority of such city shall have the right, power and authority to enter into lease agreements, arrangements and contracts with the federal government, or any agency thereof, such as the defense plant corporation, war department, or United States navy, for the use of a portion of such airport or municipal field, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the parties to any such contract. Such lease agreement or contract may extend for a period not exceeding fifty (50) years from the effective date thereof.

The consideration for such agreement may be any sum upon which the parties may agree. Such contract may contain a provision permitting the assignment, conveyance, transfer or subleasing of the portions of such airport covered by such agreement, either in whole or in part, to any other person, firm, or corporation and may fix the terms and conditions under which such other person, firm, or corporation shall occupy and use such portion of the airport. Such leases, contracts, or other agreements shall, if occupancy or use be by other than the federal government or an agency thereof, provide for fair and reasonable compensation to be received by such city from such other person, firm or corporation.

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