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City of Savannah, Research Library & Municipal Archives, Savannah, Georgia [GSG (OCLC/LYRASIS)]

Record Series #: 1121-032

Name: Research Library and Municipal Archives Historical Research Projects
(City of Savannah Government): City Hall Centennial Research Collection

Dates: 2004-2006 [1903-2006]

Extent/Size: 6 document cases, 2 oversized flat archival boxes (4.5 cubic feet)

Language: English

Scope & Content:

The City Hall Centennial Research Collection (2004-2006) includes 6 document cases and two oversized archival boxes of historical research and the final products of that research gathered and prepared by the City of Savannah's Research Library and Municipal Archives department for the Savannah City Hall's centennial anniversary celebration in 2006. The historical research focuses on the planning and construction of the building during the period 1903 through 1906, as well as the first one-hundred years of its occupation and use by the City of Savannah between 1906 and 2006. The research period took place between 2004 and 2006 during which time photocopies were made of all original primary sources located at various archival repositories throughout Savannah and the surrounding area. The collection is dated as such (2004-2006) since it contains photocopies, however, the original source materials used in the research and represented in the photocopied materials date from 1903 through 2006. The collection also includes the final products produced by the Research Library and Municipal Archives from the historical research including a newspaper supplement published in the *Savannah Morning News* on Georgia Day, February 12, 2006, text of the Savannah City Hall historical marker dedicated on June 1, 2006, lectures and publications on the history of the Savannah City Hall prepared by the Library and Archives, and the City Hall Centennial Exhibit displayed in the City Hall rotunda from June-December 2006.

System of Arrangement & Ordering:

The City Hall Centennial Research Collection is arranged into the following four series:

- The Birth of City Hall, 1903-1906
- A Century of History, 1906-2006
- Final Products
- City Hall Centennial Exhibit Panels

The first three series are arranged into folders alphabetically by subject. The City Hall Centennial Exhibit Panels are arranged by size to minimize damage to the panels. A complete inventory can be found in the following pages.

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None

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**Record Series 1121-032, Research Library and Municipal Archives Historical Research Projects:
City Hall Centennial Research Collection, 2004-2006***Inventory:***The Birth of City Hall, 1903-1906****Box 1121-032-6**

- Folder 1 Acts of the General Assembly of Georgia, 1903
- Folder 2 Annual Reports (City of Savannah), 1903-1909
- Folder 3 Architectural Drawings, by H. W. Witcover, 1904-1905
- Folder 4 Art Metal Construction Company
- Folder 5 Artifacts – Municipal League of Georgia Medallion, 1904
- Folder 6 Building Committee Members
- Folder 7 City Council Meeting Papers: Committee of the Whole; Mayor's Papers, 1905
- Folder 8 City Council Meeting Papers: Contracts, 1904-1906
- Folder 9 City Council Meeting Papers: Proceedings of Council, 1903-1906
- Folder 10 City Directories, 1903-1906
- Folder 11 City Exchange Artifacts
- Folder 12 City Flag
- Folder 13 Clocks and Bells
- Folder 14 Design Proposals, 1903
- Folder 15 Engineering Department Maps and Plans, 1906
- Folder 16 Fountain: John Williams, Inc.; Fernando Miranda y Casellas
- Folder 17 Images: City Hall under Construction, 1905
- Folder 18 Images: City of Savannah Images and Graphics
- Folder 19 Images: Georgia Historical Society; Savannah Jewish Archives
- Folder 20 Images: V. & J. Duncan Antique Maps & Prints
- Folder 21 "Laying of Cornerstone," (program), 1904
- Folder 22 M. T. Lewman & Company
- Folder 23 Minutes of Council, 1903-1906
- Folder 24 Municipal Journal & Engineer, 1905
- Folder 25 Newspapers, February-December 1903

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- Folder 1 Newspapers, January-March 1904
- Folder 2 Newspapers, April-June 1904
- Folder 3 Newspapers, July-September 1904
- Folder 4 Newspapers, October-December 1904
- Folder 5 Newspapers, January-March 1905
- Folder 6 Newspapers, April-June 1905
- Folder 7 Newspapers, July-September 1905
- Folder 8 Newspapers, October-December 1905
- Folder 9 Newspapers, January-August 1906
- Folder 10 "The Old and the New," 1906
- Folder 11 Peter Gordon Map of Savannah, 1734
- Folder 12 St. Louis Exposition/World's Fair, 1904
- Folder 13 "Savannah, A City of Opportunities," 1904
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- Folder 15 Winstedt, Carl William
- Folder 16 Witcover, Hyman Wallace

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A Century of History, 1906-2006

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- Folder 1 Annual Reports (City of Savannah), 1906-1911
- Folder 2 Annual Reports (City of Savannah), 1912-1917, 1923
- Folder 3 Annual Reports (City of Savannah), 1955-1992 (some gaps)
- Folder 4 Architectural Drawings
- Folder 5 "Ballad of Savannah," 1969
- Folder 6 City Council Changes
- Folder 7 City Council Minutes, 1907-2005
- Folder 8 City Exchange Bell
- Folder 9 City Hall Artifacts
- Folder 10 City Hall Contracts (Renovations)
- Folder 11 City Hall Fountain
- Folder 12 City Hall: "A History of City Hall on Bay Street," 1980
- Folder 13 City Hall: Motion Pictures
- Folder 14 City Manager and Mayor's Files (Renovations)
- Folder 15 Civil Rights Movement: Ralph Mark Gilbert Museum
- Folder 16 Council-Manager Form of Government; All-America City Award
- Folder 17 Historic American Buildings Survey
- Folder 18 Images: Anderson, Glenda
- Folder 19 Images: Baldwin, Frederick
- Folder 20 Images: City Hall, December 2005
- Folder 21 Images: City of Savannah, Research Library & Municipal Archives
- Folder 22 Images: Gamble Collection, Live Oak Public Library
- Folder 23 Images: Georgia Historical Society
- Folder 24 Images: Juliette Gordon Low Birthplace
- Folder 25 Images: Library of Congress; Georgia Archives
- Folder 26 Images: Savannah Morning News

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- Folder 1 Images: Sottile & Sottile Urban Analysis & Design
- Folder 2 Images: V. & J. Duncan Antique Maps & Prints
- Folder 3 Miscellaneous Publications
- Folder 4 Newspapers, 1906-1909
- Folder 5 Newspapers, 1910-1919
- Folder 6 Newspapers, 1920-1929
- Folder 7 Newspapers, 1930-1939
- Folder 8 Newspapers, 1940-1949
- Folder 9 Newspapers, 1950-1959
- Folder 10 Newspapers, 1960-1969
- Folder 11 Newspapers, 1970-1979
- Folder 12 Newspapers, 1980-1989
- Folder 13 Newspapers, 1990-1999
- Folder 14 Newspapers, 2000-2005
- Folder 15 Reports to Council, 1996-2005
- Folder 16 Research Notes (Glenda Anderson, Director Research Library & Municipal Archives)

**Record Series 1121-032, Research Library and Municipal Archives Historical Research Projects:
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Note:

For Televised Programs – WTOC City Hall Archived Footage (VHS Tape) *see* Box 1121-032-11

Final Products

Box 1121-032-10

- Folder 1 City Hall Brochure (published by Public Information Office)
- Folder 2 Exhibits: Rotunda – Draft Panels
- Folder 3 Exhibits: Rotunda – Final Panels
- Folder 4 Exhibits: Rotunda – Proposed Exhibits
- Folder 5 Historical Marker: Application – Supporting Images
- Folder 6 Historical Marker: Dedication Ceremony
- Folder 7 Historical Marker: Dedication Ceremony – Reception
- Folder 8 Historical Marker: Marker Text
- Folder 9 Historical Marker: S. S. Savannah and S. S. John Randolph Marker
- Folder 10 Lectures: “The Birth of City Hall, 1903-1906” (notes, slides)
- Folder 11 Lectures: “A Century of History, 1906-2006” (notes, slides)
- Folder 12 Lectures: “City Hall: A Virtual History” (notes, slides)
- Folder 13 Lectures: Savannah Chapter DAR (notes, brochure)
- Folder 14 Newspaper Supplement

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- Folder 1 Photographs (Digital): Marker Dedications and City Hall Reception
- Folder 2 Publications: “The Birth of City Hall”
- Folder 3 Publications: “A Century of History”
- Folder 4 Publications: City of Savannah, Cobblestone (Vol. 10, Issue 39)
- Folder 5 Publications: Coastal Antiques & Art (Vol. 11, No. 1)
- Folder 6 Publications: Connect Savannah (Vol. 5, No. 34)
- Folder 7 Publications: Society of Georgia Archivists Newsletter
- Folder 8 Website: Article Series List
- Folder 9 Televised Programs: WSAV Marker Dedication (VHS Tape)
- Folder 10 Televised Programs: Savannah’s Government Channel 8 City Hall Programs (VHS Tape):
 - “The Birth of City Hall”
 - “A Century of History”
 - “Rededication and Dedication of Historical Markers 6/1/2006”
 - “Preserving City Hall”
- Folder 11 Televised Programs: WTOC City Hall Archived Footage (VHS Tape)

City Hall Centennial Exhibit Panels

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Panels layered from top to bottom according to size:

- Exhibit Key
- Panel 21
- Panel 19
- Panels 10 and 12
- Panels 5 and 11
- Panels 2 and 9
- Panels 17 and 20

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Panels 4 and 14
Panels 3 and 22
Panels 6 and 16
Panels 13 and 18
Panel 1

Box 1121-032-13

Panels layered from top to bottom according to size:

Panel 23
Panel 15
Panel 7
Panel 18

Folder 1 Final Proofs and Extra Exhibit Signs (all 11" x 17")