

January 4, 1941.

Hon. Robert P. Patterson,
Undersecretary of War,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Confirming my verbal agreement with Colonel Volandt yesterday, we are pleased to confirm to the Government the proposals set out in our letter of December 19, last, to Major R. H. Fleet, President, Consolidated Aircraft Corporation.

In the event the Government locates the proposed large Army Bomber Assembly Plant on the Lake Worth site at Fort Worth:

1. We will furnish all or as much as required of the site on the south side of Lake Worth indicated on the map previously submitted to General Brett, consisting of approximately 1200 acres for a factory site and airport, on terms satisfactory to the Government. We suggest a deed to the Government for the area required for factory purposes up to 400 acres, and a lease for use of the airport facilities at \$1.00 per year for as long a period as the Government may use it in connection with the proposed factory.
2. We will provide an airport with such hard surface runways as may be required for the testing of planes and other flight operations with a main north and south runway, the direction of prevailing winds, of 7000 feet in length, or up to 7300 feet if your representatives find it practical and desirable, and a second runway of 5300 feet length. Also required taxi strips to connect with factory site and other required facilities.
3. We will provide adequate water supply system for delivery of water to the site, sewer main to the site and a sewage disposal plant.
4. We will bring the following utilities to the site: Telephone, power and gas lines; and also a railroad spur -- all without cost to the Government.
5. We will provide adequate main highways to the site as shown on the attached plans of airport with location map.
6. Additional housing for the employees of this plant will be arranged for as needed.

7. The use of water runways on Lake Worth, which adjoins the site, and Eagle Mountain Lake nearby, is pledged if ever needed in connection with the proposed factory or other National Defense purposes. A ramp from the site into Lake Worth can be built by the Government or operator, if desired for flying boats. We will provide the land and right-of-way for this purpose.

In brief, we pledge the united local governmental, business, and civic forces of Fort Worth to provide the required facilities for the proposed plant on a basis satisfactory to the Government of the United States and also the fullest cooperation to assure the most efficient conditions for its operation.

Yours respectfully,

FORT WORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,

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By _____

William Holden,
Executive Vice-President.