

1990



1999

“A CITY WITHIN A CITY”

Air Force Two:

First Lady Barbara Bush arrives at KOSU on Air Force Two. President George H.W. Bush lands later after his term ends.



“The airport is city within a city. We have our own police and fire department. There is a city-type atmosphere with tenants and users.”

Airport Director Kenneth Newstrom, 1990

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In 1992 the Columbus Zoo brings two giant pandas from China through KOSU.

1992



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Holding pattern: In the 1990s, Ohio State President Gordon Gee considers selling the airport to solve to the university’s budget problems, a controversial idea among stakeholders.

1996

Midwest Air Traffic Control Services replace FAA controllers as a cost-cutting move for the FAA.

1997



Doug Hammon: College of Engineering graduate Doug Hammon is hired as director, a position he holds to this day.

1999

1990s: The controversy continues for 20 years, with letters to the editor and political cartoons expressing concerns of both sides.



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