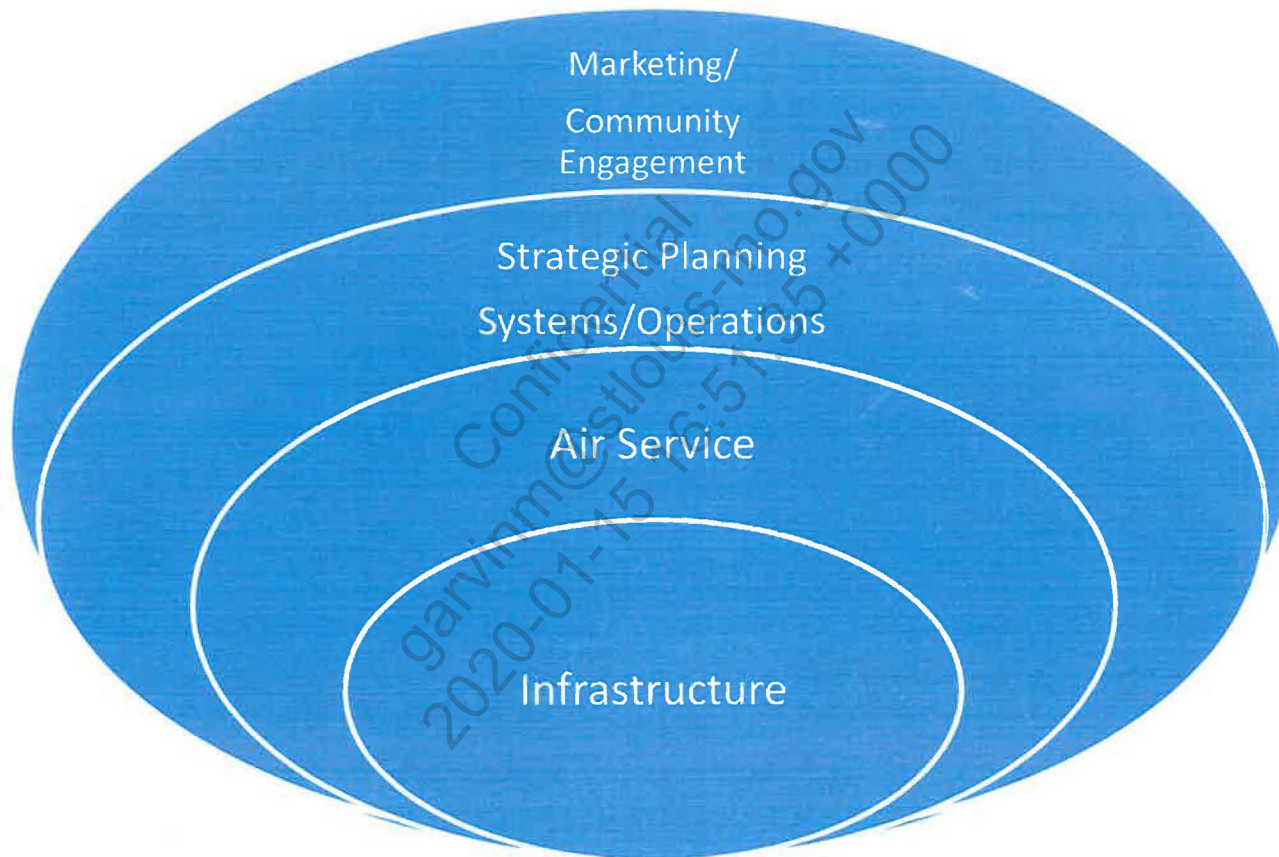




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August 2016



## Momentum of Transformation



# Airport Marketing Strategy Review



## Infrastructure: Airport Experience Program 2008- 2014





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### Air Service: 2015-2016

12 new destinations – STL's top 6 target cities get non-stop service

AUS · MKL · PDX · SNA · LIT · FOD · PIT · DSM · ICT · OAK · CLE · LIR

Top 10 in U.S. airports in seat capacity growth – 9.1%

733,000 more seats

70 non-stop destinations

Passenger Traffic – 9% increase in CY2016

Southwest surpasses 100 flight/day – 43 destinations

CY 2015- 12.8 million passengers (best since 2010)

2010- 12.3 million passengers

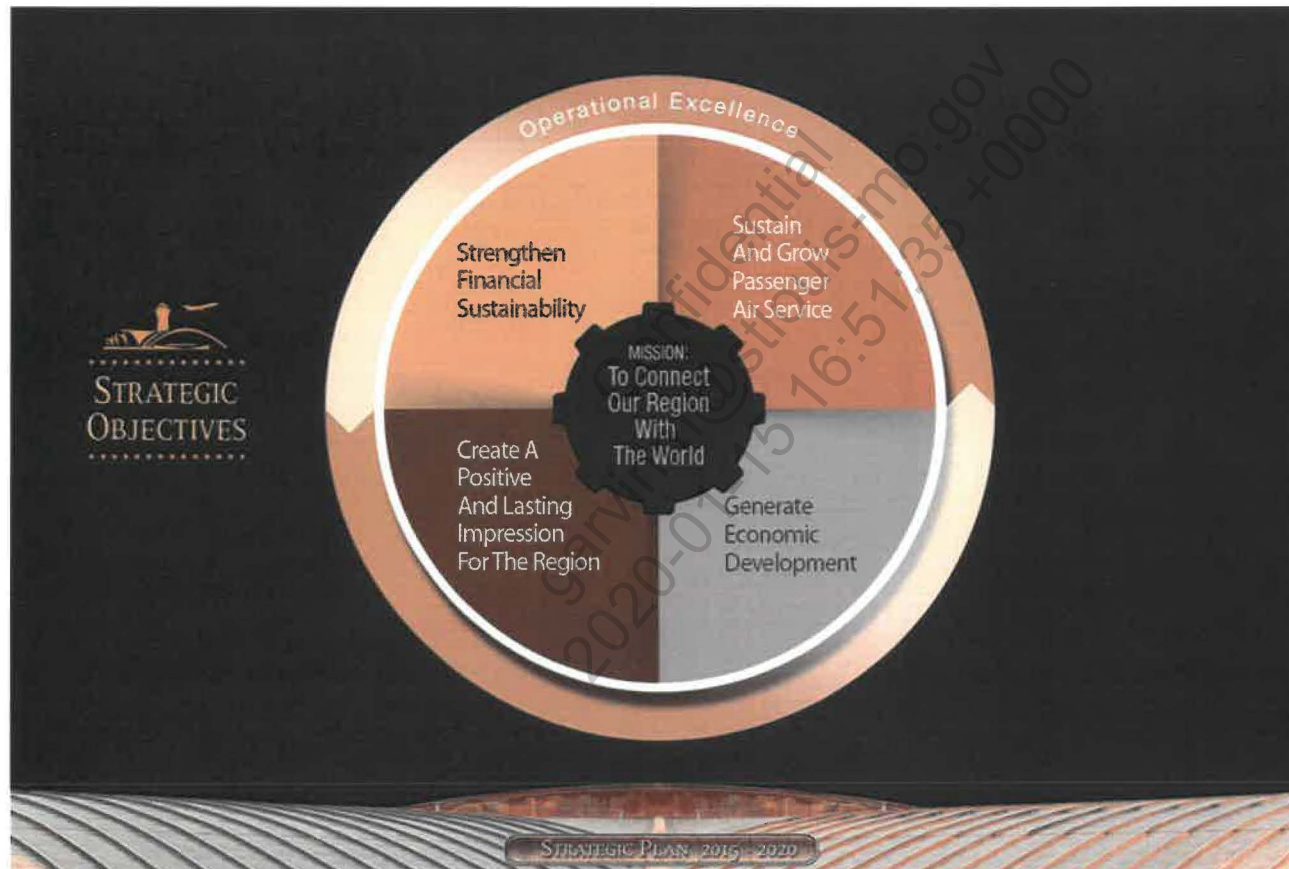
1.1 million fewer seats

54 non-stop destinations (April 2010)

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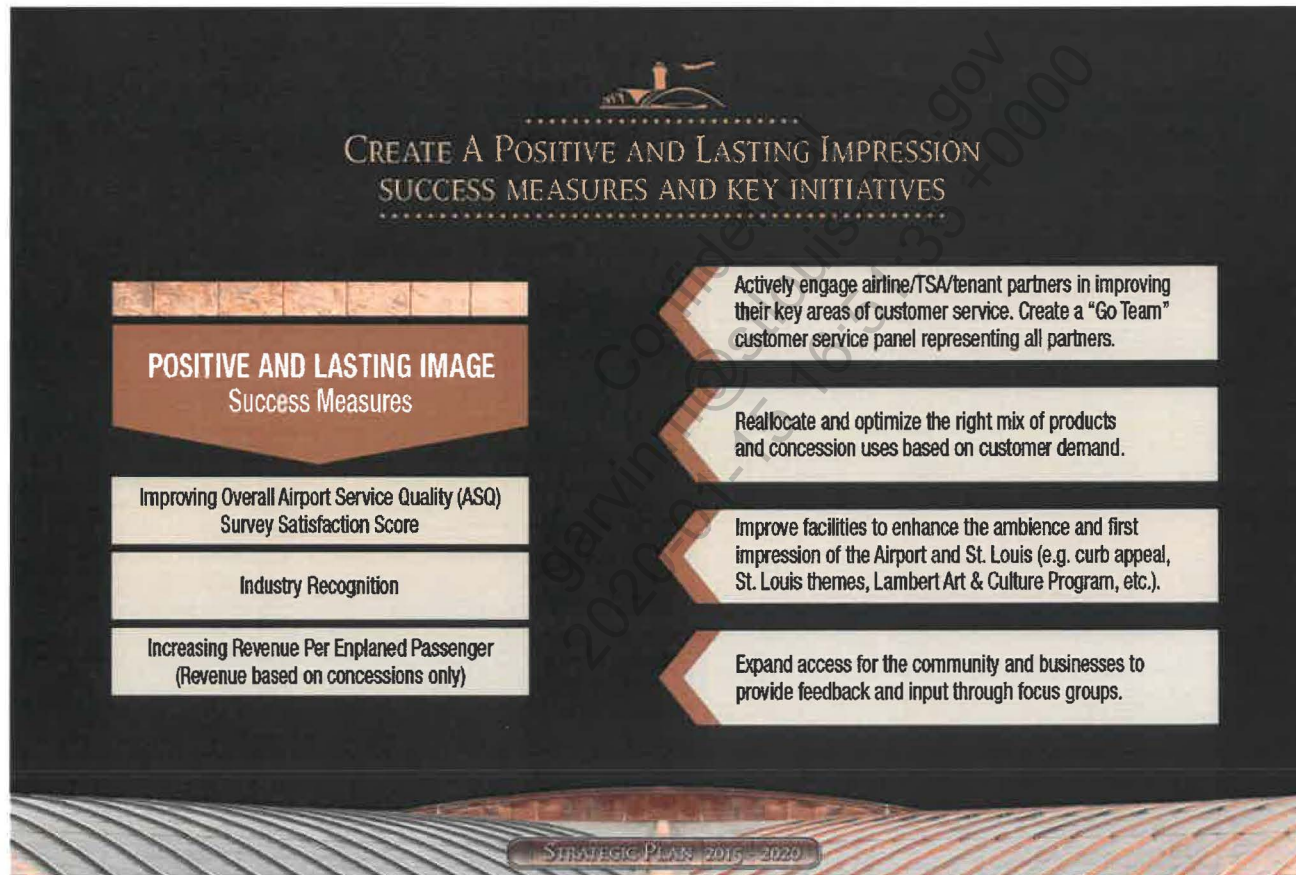
Strategic Planning: Launched 2014



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## Strategic Planning







### Community Engagement Advisory Committee: September 2015

#### Staff:

- Rhonda Hamm-Niebruegge, Airport Director
- Brian Kinsey, Assistant Director, Marketing and Business Development
- Jeff Lea, Public Relations Manager

#### Airport Commission:

- June Fowler, Sr. Vice-President Corporate and Public Communications, BJC HealthCare
- Sean Fitzgerald, Vice President Airport Properties and Relations for Enterprise Holdings

#### Community:

- Brian Hall, Chief Marketing Officer at St. Louis Convention and Visitors Commission
- Chris Zimmerman, President/CEO Business Operations, St. Louis Blues



## Community Engagement Advisory Committee

Special Focus

1 Year or less

### Target Objectives-

- Review current airport marketing and community outreach programs and strategies
- Define key marketing strengths and attributes of B2C and B2B marketing efforts
- Identify key tactics to improve airport's public and industry perceptions/positions
- Recommend new marketing strategy and goals that align with 2015-2020 Strategic Plan





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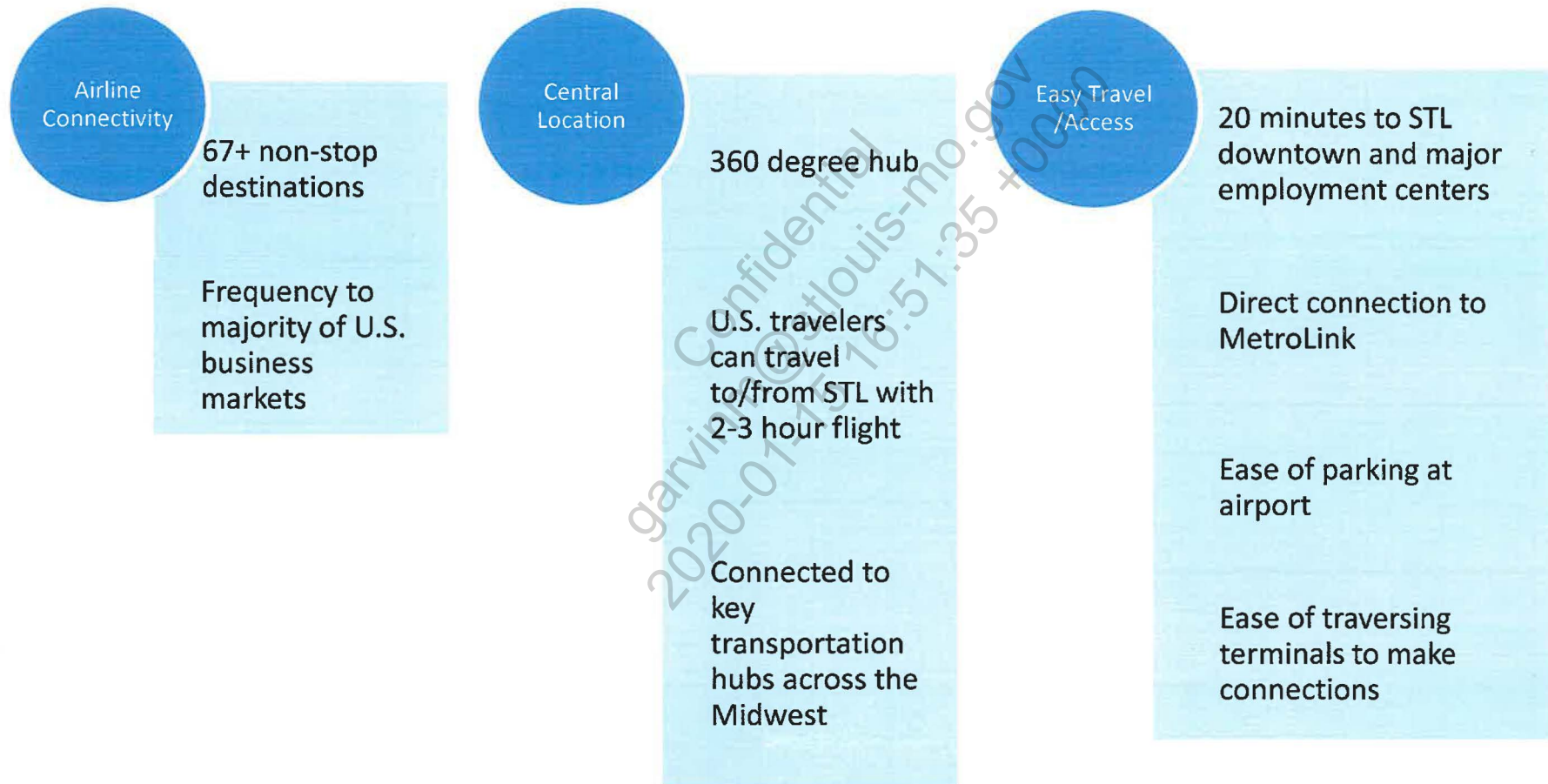
#### Key Findings:

- Airport's current marketing strategy is split between public and business/industry audiences and lacks global cohesive messaging
- Airport should focus on key marketing positions
- Marketing should incorporate best assets of city/region
- Airport name should be more clearly linked to city/region

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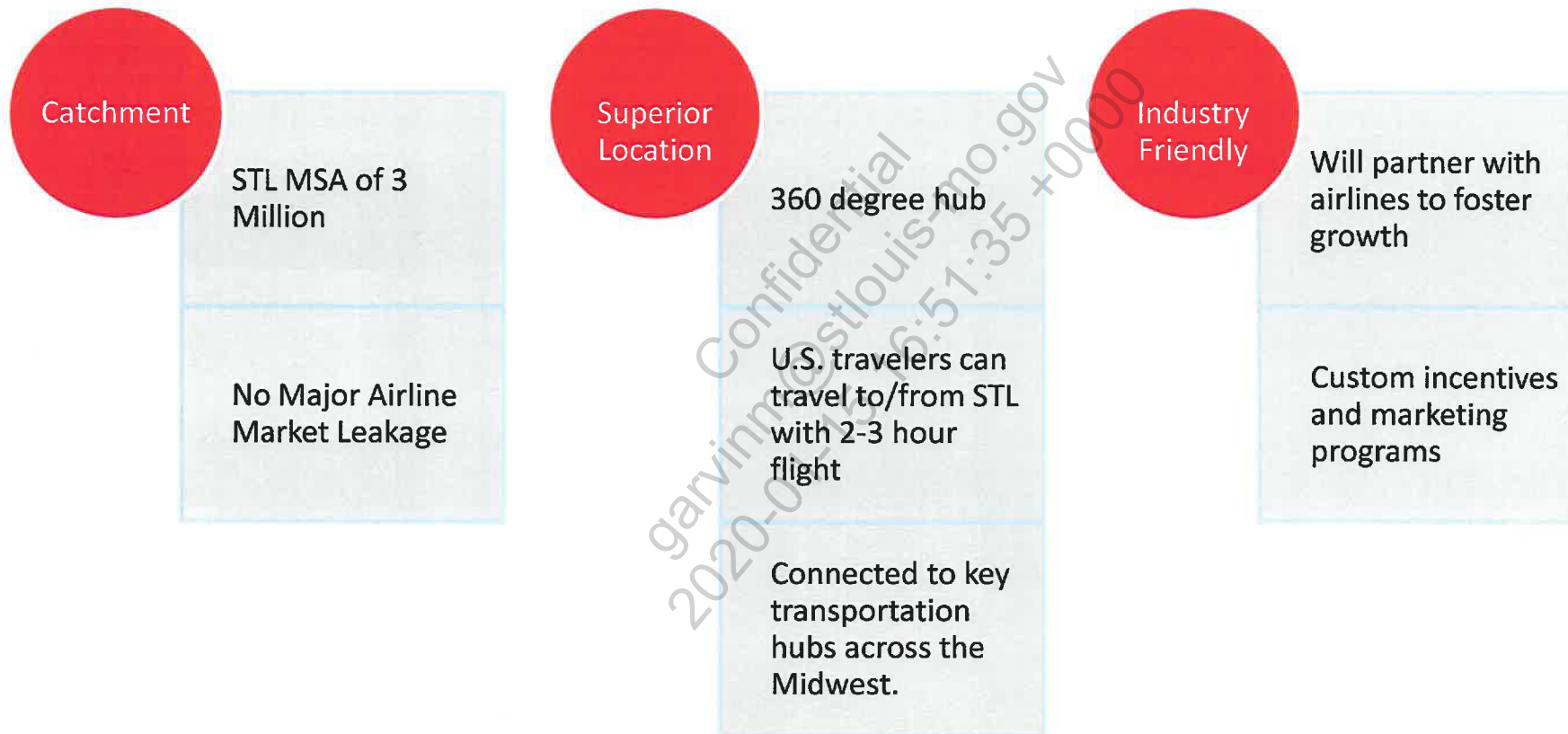
## Top Marketing Positions/Strengths- Public



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### Top Marketing Positions/Strengths- Business & Industry





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### Top Marketing Positions/Strengths- Regional Impact

#### Airport Ranking

150/3,824 airports in the world  
Top 4%

31/457 U.S. airports ranking in passengers  
Top 7%.

#### Economic Catalyst

\$3.6 billion impact on  
15-county region

25,000 jobs supported

Prime real estate for  
commercial  
development with  
airfield access.



### January 2016- Passenger Survey: Insights Strategic Marketing and Research

#### Key Findings: Name Recognition

- Awareness vs familiarity of “Lambert” name
- 70%-High awareness- understand there’s a connection to STL
- 63% -Low familiarity – don’t know why the name is connected to STL.
- 56% of locals had no familiarity with Lambert name
- Less than 17 out of 600 respondents correctly identified connection and relevance of Lambert’s name and the reason the Airport was named after Albert Bond Lambert.



### January 2016- Passenger Survey: Insights Strategic Marketing and Research

#### Key Findings: Continued

- Name associations- Former mayor, restaurant, a baseball player, “Just the airport”, a wealthy individual, Lindbergh, “It’s where I grew up.”
- Response: “I need to fly to St. Louis, not ‘Lambert’. Placing ‘Lambert’ first causes delays in locating airport via electronic searches.”





### Split Marketing Programs



Lambert-St. Louis International  
Airport since 1971



Air Service Marketing- B2B-  
branding since 2008



### Recommendation:

- Airport's primary marketing focus should be the St. Louis (STL) region, which has tremendous marketing power and recognition
- Airport's name should emphasize St. Louis first, because the Airport markets nationally and internationally for passenger, cargo and other business.
- St. Louis as the primary focus gives global audience an instant geographic marker for the region.
- St. Louis as the primary name is more compatible with airport code (STL) and connects easier with global audience for online ticket purchases or information searches.
- Lambert name should be repositioned in the official name- keep historical link to Airport namesake
- STL airport code should be the key airport identifier in all marketing messaging which promotes both Airport and region as a whole



### Recommendation:

#### 1. "St. Louis International Airport at Lambert Field"

- Regional and destination identity
- More direct and effective national and international marketing
- Makes it easier for customers/passengers to find information, connect to airport and/or book tickets.
- Continue to honor and celebrate history of founder Albert Bond Lambert
- Retains local identity- important to community

#### 2. Core Brand Identity - STL

- Airport code
- Regional identifier
- Use across communication elements and platforms

