Resources for Researching Tourism in Savannah

General City History
- **Annual Reports of the Mayors of Savannah**, 1855-1923 (5600MY-50)
- **City Code Books**, 1854-1945 (www.savannahga.gov/digitalcollections)
- **Mayor Malcolm Maclean Speech Books**, 1960-1966 (5600MY-20)
- **A History of the City Government of Savannah, Ga., from 1790 to 1901**, compiled from Official Records by Thomas Gamble, Jr., 1900
- **Savannah Area Local Government Documents Collection**, bulk 1970s-present (RS 1121-027)*
  - Includes: City Annual Reports 1955-present, some gaps
  - City of Savannah Budget Books, circa 1958-present
  - Downtown Savannah Master Plan, Tourism Master Plans
  - Documents related to the Visitors Center and Savannah History Museum
- **City Council Meeting Minutes**, 1790-present (RS 0115-001) (original hardcopy volumes in Clerk of Council’s Office; microfilm of volumes thru 1900 available at the Bull Street Library; volumes thru 1900 available online thru Ancestry.com)
- **Savannah Area Local Reference Files**, circa 1979 – present
- Municipal Archives Library Collection of Savannah-area books (non-circulating, available in Reading Room)

City Manager Files
- City Manager Subject files, 1954-present (RS 0120-001)* (provide a list of keywords for Archivist to search in file names)

Engineering Maps (keyword searchable using ctrl + f)
- **Engineering Department Major Subdivision Maps** (Record Series 3121-020), 1871-1972, no date *Select Digitized Records*
- **Engineering Department Retrospective Maps Collection - East / West Maps** (Record Series 3121-008), 1799-1927, no date
- **Engineering Department Retrospective Maps Collection - General Maps** (Record Series 3121-007), 1752-1971, no date *Select Digitized Records*
- **Engineering Department Retrospective Maps Collection - Property Maps** (Record Series 3121-009), 1853-1982, no date
- **Engineering Department Retrospective Plans and Designs Collection** (Record Series 3121-010), 1902-2015, no date
- **Cadastral Survey, Savannah - Ward Survey Maps** [Record Series 3121-019], 1939-1940 [252 sheets (1.5 cubic feet)] *Collection Fully Digitized*

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* Consult Archivist for up-to-date finding aids
RS=Record Series

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Visual Materials

- V. & J. Duncan Postcard Collection (Record Series 1121-057), circa 1870s-circa 2000s, no date Select Digitized Records
- Artwork of Savannah (Record Series 1121-041), 1902
- Photographs, Public Information Office (Record Series 0123-045), 1948-1949, 1974-2000, no date Select Digitized Records
- Palumbo collection of photographs and tourism materials (Record Series 1121-070), circa 1870s-1953, no date Select Digitized Records
- Additional digitized collections can be found online: www.savannahga.gov/digitalcollections

The W. W. Law Collection

- W. W. Law Photograph Collection, 1968-2002, no date (RS 1121-100) Select Digitized Records
- W. W. Law Reference Collection (RS 1121-106)
- W.W. Law ASALH and Related Cultural Organizations Collection (RS 1121-109)
- See W. W. Law Collection page (www. savannahga.gov/wwlaw) for full list of available collections

Collection Finding Aids

- All finding aids (except *) are available online at http://www.savannahga.gov/collections. For more information or to set up a research appointment, contact the Archivist at (912) 651-4212 or kzacovic@savannahga.gov.

Outside Sources

- Bull Street Public Library Kaye Kole Genealogy Reading Room
  - City Directories
  - Vertical Subject Files
  - Local Area newspaper indexes
- Digital Library of Georgia
  - Georgia Historic Newspapers
  - Sanborn Maps
- Digital Public Library of America
- Visit Savannah
- Office of Film, Special Events and Tourism – Tourism Advisory Committee
- Georgia Historical Society