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

Record Series #: 8126-007
Name: Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Savannah, Georgia
Dates: 1916 – 1973
Extent/Size: 5 volumes (3.0 cubic feet)
Language: English

Name of Creator(s):
The Sanborn Map and Publishing Co. (Limited)

Administrative History:

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps were created by the Sanborn Map and Publishing Co. (Limited). Maps were produced for approximately 12,000 U.S. cities and towns starting in 1866. Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Savannah exist from 1884-1973. The maps were designed to assist fire insurance agents in determining the hazards associated with a particular property and therefore show the size, shape, and construction of dwellings, commercial buildings, and factories, as well as fire walls, locations of windows and doors, sprinkler systems, sewer systems, and types of roofs. The maps also indicate widths and names of streets, property boundaries, building use, and house and block numbers. Base maps of the city were produced periodically. In editions after 1916, alterations to properties that occurred between versions were recorded with pasted-on revision slips.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Savannah, Georgia were donated to the Municipal Archives by the Metropolitan Planning Commission Historic Preservation Division in September 2021.

Scope & Content:

The Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Savannah, Georgia collection contains five volumes. The earliest two volumes are produced with a 1916 base map with paste-in revisions through 1953. The final three volumes are produced with a 1955 base map with paste-in revisions through 1973. The collection covers the City of Savannah corporate limits at the time produced, as well as parts of Thunderbolt, Ga. and Tybee Island, Ga.

The collection is fully digitized. Digital reproductions can be accessed here:
<https://www.savannahga.gov/3291/Sanborn-Fire-Insurance-Maps-for-Savannah>

System of Arrangement & Ordering:

The Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Savannah, Georgia are arranged in chronological order.

Conditions Governing Access:

None

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Inventory:

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| 8126-007-001 | Sanborn Map 1916 Base map with paste-ins through 1953, Volume 1 (96 sheets) |
| Item 8126-007-002 | Sanborn Map, 1916 base map with paste-ins through 1953, Volume 2 (83 sheets), includes Tybee Island |
| Item 8126-007-003 | Sanborn Map, 1955 base map with paste-ins through 1973, Volume 1 (81 sheets) |
| Item 8126-007-004 | Sanborn Map, 1955 base map with paste-ins through 1966, Volume 2 (82 sheets) |
| Item 8126-007-005 | Sanborn Map, 1955 base map with paste-ins through 1966, Volume 3 (64 sheets), includes Tybee Island |