

NOTICE TO THE BAR

PARKING BY ATTORNEYS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC VISITING THE ESSEX COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, HALL OF RECORDS AND VETERAN'S COURTHOUSE BETWEEN APRIL 2019 AND APPROXIMATELY SPRING 2020

Essex County recently announced the construction of a new 900-car parking deck that will be located in the current employee lot off of West Market Street. The additional spaces will enhance the accessibility of the Court Complex and allow for other improvements, including the future construction of new office and courtroom space.

Construction of the new parking deck will **begin on Monday, April 1st** and is expected to take between nine months and one year. Opening of the deck is planned for Spring 2020.

During construction, many county and court employees will be relocated to other areas to park. This will provide ample parking for jurors, attorneys and the public in the existing parking deck and surface lot located off of South Orange Avenue (the "Juror Parking Lot"). The Court and Bar have created a list of local parking facilities that may be used should additional space be needed on any given day. That list will be available at www.essexbar.com by April 1.

Traffic around the two entrances to the Juror parking lot is expected to increase during the morning and afternoon rush hours. The County and Court are working together to provide additional officers to assist in directing traffic during these busy times. **It is important that you plan accordingly; please allow additional time to arrive, park and pass through security when visiting the court and county offices during this time.**

NOTE: New access cards for the existing Juror parking lot will be deactivated effective April 1. Parking access cards will only be issued to designated employees per the new parking plan.

The County is working diligently to provide the necessary accommodations and parking so as to minimize any impact on court business. Although there may still be some temporary inconvenience, please understand that these improvements will make the complex more user-friendly for all court and county stakeholders. Thank you for your cooperation.

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