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NEW HAVEN'S UNION STATION AND GARAGE TO GET EXTERIOR RENOVATION *Park New Haven Improves Appearance of Historic Union Station Transportation Center and Garage*



NEW HAVEN, Conn. — (April 3, 2014) — Park New Haven, which maintains and manages over 8,000 public parking spaces across 7 garages and numerous surface facilities in Downtown New Haven, is pleased to announce a major repair and improvement project to the exterior of the historic Union Station Transportation Center building and the adjacent Union Station garage.

General Repairs and Improvements scope includes general repairs to the Garage such as replacement of expansion joints, concrete and brick masonry restorations, waterproofing, installing a new fire standpipe system, and painting. The scope for building includes exterior repairs to the facade and roof, waterproofing at the Front Plaza, as well as concrete and masonry restoration, re-painting and re-caulking of windows, and sidewalk restorations.

“Union Station is an architecturally exquisite building and one of the gems of the New Haven Line. I am confident that these renovations will preserve the character of this historic station and will be anxious to see the finished product,” said Connecticut Department of Transportation Commissioner James Redeker.

Park New Haven proudly manages and maintains Union Station on behalf of the building's owner, the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The \$2.3 Million renovation project will be managed by Turner Construction, one of the largest construction management companies in the United States, and work will be performed by General Contractors, Frank Capasso & Sons, Inc. of Northford, CT. The design of the project will be conducted by Desman Associates of Rocky Hill, CT.

The project requires the assembly of scaffolding surrounding the exterior of Union Station, as well as wrapping the scaffolding in a blue debris safety mesh for the extent of the project. The scaffolding is scheduled for removal this December. The Project is now underway as scaffold erection has commenced. Repair work is set to begin in the next two weeks and is scheduled to be completed in the Spring of 2015.

"It is a goal of my administration to make Union Station the hub of a revitalized transportation and retail district – this exterior renovation project is consistent with and part of that plan," New Haven Mayor Toni N. Harp said. *"A year or so from now, when this project is complete, one of New Haven's architectural jewels will have been polished beautifully to attract, welcome, and please all those who spend time in and around Union Station."*

Park New Haven is thrilled to begin the process of the Station's renovation.

"We're excited to get this renovation project underway," said Park New Haven Acting Executive Director, David B. Panagore. *"It is our duty to continue to keep this beautiful historic building, a true asset to our City, in excellent condition for years to come,"* added Panagore.

Union Station Transportation Center and Garage will remain open and fully operational throughout the construction project, with no obstructions to existing entrances or exits to the building.

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About Park New Haven

Park New Haven proudly serves the people of New Haven and its visitors with over 8,000 economical public parking spaces at the Air Rights, Crown Street, Temple Street, Temple Medical, Granite Square, Gateway Community College, and Union Station Garages, and at numerous surface facilities conveniently located in downtown New Haven and in surrounding residential neighborhoods. Additionally, Park New Haven serves the well-being and economic development of the New Haven community by providing financially self-sustaining, safe, convenient and economical off-street parking and related services. For more information on Park New Haven, please visit www.parknewhaven.com

About the Connecticut Department of Transportation

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