

NOTICE REGARDING MERRIMACK SUPERIOR COURTHOUSE CONSTRUCTION TEMPORARY PARKING PLAN EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

As most of you are aware, the New Hampshire Legislature appropriated the necessary funding for Merrimack County to build the new Merrimack Superior Court. See HB 1349. The Legislature also directed the new courthouse to be built adjacent to the Merrimack Superior Court's present location at 163 N. Main Street.

Over many months, the State, Merrimack County, and the Developer have worked through design plans as well as detailed Continuation of Operation Plans to allow the Court to function during construction. I want to provide relevant information to you and your clients related to construction and court operations.

Timing: Preparatory site work has already commenced. The construction project is expected to be completed by September 1, 2018.

Court Operations: All Merrimack County Superior Court business, including arraignments, hearings and trials will continue to take place at the present location (163 N. Main Street) during construction. Delivery of mail will be at the same location.

Individuals should anticipate noise and other inconveniences that are standard with any construction project; however, there has been sound testing conducted and there are protocols in place to ensure that every court proceeding will have a proper record.

Parking: There will be a temporary parking plan that will exist throughout construction. A total of 150 parking spots will be available for court employees, litigants, and lawyers conducting court business. This temporary parking plan will be in effect as of **September 19, 2017** and may be updated as the project progresses. A map of the preliminary parking locations is located on the Judicial Branch website. In addition, there will be signs erected around the courthouse specifying court-designated street parking areas. The key components of the temporary parking plan are as follows:

Present courthouse lot: This lot will be unavailable for parking with the exception of limited handicap parking and two designated short-term spots for the drop-off of documents and exhibits by couriers and attorneys.

Juror Parking: There will be a designated parking lot, designated as Lot B, located on Court Street for jurors. On non-jury days, this lot will be available to attorneys and citizens.

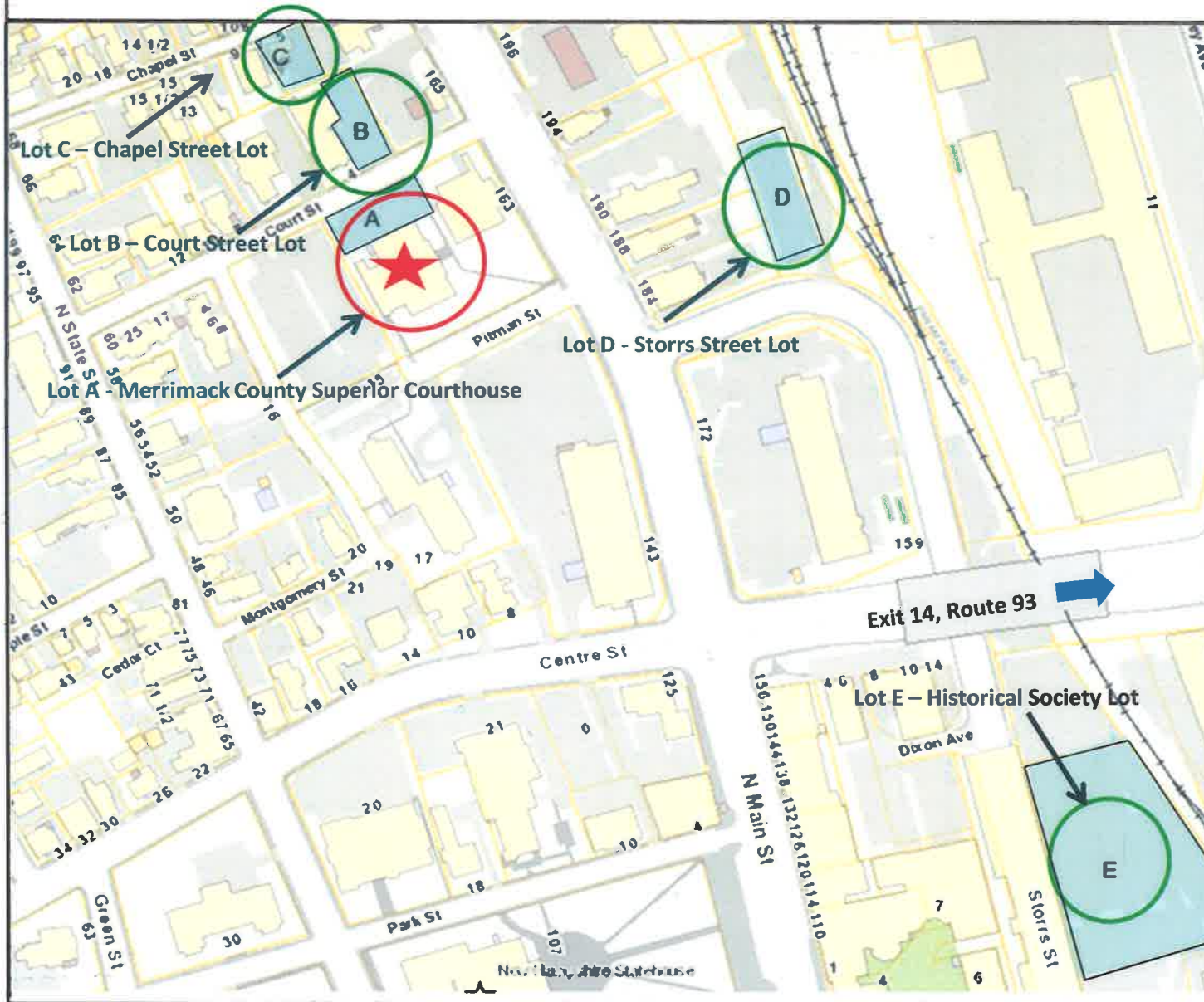
Attorney/Citizen Parking: Parking for attorneys and citizens will be located in three locations. The first lot is located on Chapel Street, and will connect to Lot B via a staircase to allow a direct path of travel to the courthouse, and is marked as Lot C on the Map. The second lot is located off Storrs Street (behind the Tea Garden Restaurant) and is marked as Lot D on the map. The third lot is also located on Storrs Street near Bank of America. This is a gated lot and an attendant will be present between 7:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to allow those who represent they have court business to park in the lot. No gate attendant is required to exit the lot. It is marked as Lot E on the Map. There will be a total of 115 spots in these three locations that will be

specifically designated for court parking. There will also be a free shuttle that will run throughout the day to transport individuals from lots D and E to the courthouse. Attorneys should be aware that parking in these two lots will be further limited on jury selection days as potential jurors will access the lots as well. The dates of jury selection days are set forth on the New Hampshire Judicial Branch website. In addition to this specific court parking, there is on-street parking for all individuals near the Courthouse as designated by the City of Concord.

Information: The New Hampshire Judicial Branch will continue to keep you and your clients updated on necessary information throughout the construction process by providing periodic updates in the Bar News, scheduling an information session with the Merrimack County bar, and including information about construction on the New Hampshire Judicial Branch page.

Contact: Should you have specific issues related to construction that are not covered within this Notice, please contact Tracy Uhrin, Clerk of Court, by email at: tuhrin@courts.state.nh.us.

Merrimack County Courthouse Available Parking



Lot A = Courthouse Lot – **NO PUBLIC PARKING**
Restricted to Court Staff, Sheriff, two drop-off/delivery spaces, and One Accessible Space

Lot B = Court Street Lot – Restricted for Merrimack County Superior Court; Jury Parking on Trial Days

Lot C = Chapel Street Lot – Restricted for Merrimack County Superior Court; Jury Parking on Trial Days

Lot D = Storrs Street Lot - Restricted for Merrimack County Superior Court

Lot E = Historical Society Lot – Reserved Parking Spaces for Court Patrons; Shuttle Service to Courthouse