

Media Advisory

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Durham Celebrates New Downtown Parking Garage Construction Completion with March 7 Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

What: Morgan-Rigsbee Parking Garage Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

Who: City of Durham Transportation Department Park Durham Division

When: Thursday, March 7, 2019, beginning at 10 a.m.

Where: Morgan-Rigsbee Parking Garage, 1st Level, 105 W. Morgan St., Durham, N.C. 27701

Fast Facts:

- This new downtown mixed-use parking garage, located at the intersections of Morgan Street, Mangum Street and Rigsbee Avenue, is now ready to open to the public on Monday, March 11.
- This ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrates the completion of this \$23 million project, which provides 667 new parking spaces in downtown Durham, of which 145 will be dedicated as new hourly parking spaces. Hourly parking will be available beginning on Monday, with monthly parking being provided later this month once technology installation for access cards is complete.
- This parking garage also houses 15,687 square feet of [new commercial/retail space now available for lease](#) and 4,750 square feet of new office space for the Transportation Department's Park Durham Division.
- Event speakers include Mayor Steve Schewel, Deputy City Manager Keith Chadwell, and Chief Parking Administrator Thomas Leathers. Light refreshments will also be served along with tours of the new commercial/retail space and the new Park Durham offices.
- For more construction details, visit the [project webpage](#). For more information on parking in downtown Durham, including how to reserve a monthly parking permit in this new garage, visit the [Park Durham webpage](#).

About the City of Durham Transportation Department

The [Transportation Department](#) is responsible for a broad range of transportation services, which include traffic signs and signals, transportation planning, [parking operations](#), street lighting, taxicab administration, and bicycle and pedestrian planning. The department also oversees [GoDurham](#) and GoDurham ACCESS as well as leads planning functions for the [Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization](#) (DCHC MPO), which is the regional organization that is responsible for planning and programming state and federal transportation projects in the urbanized areas of Durham, Orange, and Chatham counties. Guided by the City's [Strategic Plan](#), the department helps to strengthen the foundation, enhance the value, and improve the quality and sustainability of neighborhoods that are necessary for a strong and diverse community. For more information, follow the department on [Twitter](#).

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