

## Norwalk Parking Authority

## **Press Release**

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## CITY COMPLETES HAVILAND PARKING DECK REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS Project Comes in Under Budget and on Time

Necessary structural repairs and improvements to the Haviland Parking Deck in South Norwalk have been completed. The work was performed by RAM Construction, Inc. of Michigan and included concrete repairs and a new membrane and waterproofing. In addition, approximately 15 new security cameras will be installed throughout the garage and pedestrian walkways within the next 30-60 days as well as a new energy efficient lighting system that will significantly increase the visibility in the garage.

The project came in under budget and costs were \$700,000 for the concrete repair and waterproofing, \$46,000 for the security cameras, and \$40,000 for the energy efficient lighting. The deck was closed during the four-month construction period, and is scheduled to reopen on December 18<sup>th</sup>. A soft reopening occurred on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> and parkers are able to take advantage of the newly repaired deck right away.

The project was part of an ongoing effort by the Parking Authority to improve the city's parking infrastructure and overall transportation system.

"I am very pleased with the outcome of the Haviland Deck repair project. The facility looks brand new and more importantly is structurally safe and sound. The best part is that the project came in on time and under budget," said Kathryn Hebert, who oversees the Parking Authority. Hebert added, "we were able to accomplish this project on time and under budget through the team efforts of many people. We would like to credit the following people who worked tirelessly to make sure the project moved along quickly while maintaining the integrity of the structure: Brian Sweeney, City of Norwalk Structural Engineer, Robert Cavello, Westview

Group/ Construction Administrator, Matt Gallagher, Desman Associates, Inspection and Structural Engineer and Dan Callahan of RAM Construction."

Mayor Richard A. Moccia said, "The contractors kept their word. Despite November's rain and cold weather, the project was completed on time. And we were delighted that the actual costs came in way under budget." "The Haviland Deck is an integral part of the success of the SoNo community. The Parking Authority has done wonderful job in their continued effort to upgrade and maintain the parking system," Mayor Moccia added.

During the renovations, monthly permit holders were reassigned to the Maritime Garage and hourly parkers were encouraged to use the Webster Lot or the Maritime Garage.

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