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Town of Smyrna to Construct Downtown Parking Lot A-DEL Construction to Soon Start

Smyrna, Del. - To further support the local businesses and the downtown commercial district, Smyrna Town Council awarded a construction contract to A-DEL Construction to complete a new public parking lot. Town staff worked for several months with ownership of the Smyrna Health and Wellness Center to transfer their existing parking area at the corner of South Street and East Street by donation to the town. The new downtown lot will create a larger public parking area that is available for all downtown parking needs by consolidating this parcel with the town-owned properties behind 22 S. Main Street.

The financial ability to bring this project forward was made possible by the support of both Senator Bruce Ennis and Representative Bill Carson. Their leadership and commitment to the Smyrna community will provide nearly half of the funds with \$300,000 in construction support, which will include new stormwater improvements to benefit the surrounding residential properties and meet environmental standards.

“To bring significant improvement to the historic downtown area with this project will greatly benefit the real or perceived parking concerns and further enhance Smyrna’s economic strength,” commented Mayor Robert Johnson. Pending developments include a new regional library. The northern portion of the parking lot will be the future home of the Friends of Duck Creek Regional Library (FDCRL) and parking lot design improvements were reduced to limit costs for areas that will have additional construction improvements for the new library.

The new public lot will contain 171 parking spaces, bike racks, and two EV charging stations to support the growing demand for electric vehicles. Town staff and FDCRL leadership team members have coordinated efforts to best maximize public need and costs. Construction is to start in early May and targeted for completion within two months from the start.

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