



# Public Information & Scoping Meeting

State Project No. 301-0047

## STAMFORD STATION PARKING GARAGE

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Stamford Government Center | Senior Center Auditorium  
888 Washington Boulevard  
Stamford, Connecticut

**Project Description:** The Connecticut Department of Transportation (Department) is proposing to construct a new parking garage for the Stamford Transportation Center (STC) on South State Street in the City of Stamford. The new garage will be connected to the station via an enclosed pedestrian bridge over Washington Boulevard. The proposed project site is State of Connecticut property bounded on the south by Metro-North Railroad right-of-way, on the east by Washington Boulevard, on the west by the Rippowam River, and on the north by I-95. The project site is partially occupied by an existing surface parking lot for the STC.

The proposed garage will provide approximately 960 commuter parking spaces, resulting in a net increase of approximately 130 State-owned spaces at the STC. The proposed parking garage and pedestrian bridge to the station will be advanced to design and construction as a design-build project, which is planned to begin in 2019. Parking will be maintained in the original garage structure throughout construction of the proposed garage to help minimize commuter parking impacts. The original garage will be closed upon completion of the proposed garage and will be demolished in the future under a separate construction contract.



Map Source: Google

The Department previously pursued a new parking project for the STC as part of a transit-oriented development (TOD). The current proposal is not a TOD project.

As part of the current project effort, the Department is conducting a new early public scoping process in accordance with the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA).

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## STAMFORD STATION PARKING GARAGE | FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**What is the purpose of the project?** The purpose of the proposed project is to replace the aging original garage structure (currently located on Station Place) with a low maintenance, long service life facility that meets the demand for State-owned commuter parking spaces located proximate to the Stamford Transportation Center (STC).

**What are the needs for this project?** The needs for the project include:

- Addressing the poor condition and continued degradation of the original garage structure that have precipitated closing of two levels of the garage to traffic and parking;
- Satisfying existing commuter parking demands at the STC;
- Replacing the potential loss of private commuter parking supply for the STC with State-owned and maintained parking that provides similar convenience and commuter amenity as the existing private parking facilities;
- Meeting customer expectations for availability, accessibility, and convenience of commuter parking accommodations of the STC; and
- Minimizing and managing commuter disruption and commuter parking impacts during the construction of the proposed parking garage.

**Why has CTDOT selected South State Street for the site of the new garage?** One of the Department's goals for the project is to optimize the use of State-owned land adjacent to the STC. Towards this end, the Department is making the highest and best use of the State-owned property on South State Street by expanding commuter parking where there is existing parking, and where other use of this property is highly constrained. Additionally, the South State Street site will help disperse traffic and parking activity from Station Place.

**Why won't the Original Garage site be used for the new garage?** The Department needs to maintain as much State-owned commuter parking as possible during construction of the new garage to minimize commuter parking impacts. By using the South State Street site, there will be fewer commuter parking spaces impacted by construction activities and fewer displaced parkers. Additionally, lost parking revenues will be minimized.

**What will happen to the Original Garage after the new garage is open?** The Department will be undertaking a separate project to demolish the Original Garage and to adjust access between Station Place and the 2004 Garage. There are currently no plans for redevelopment of the site for parking or other uses.

**How much longer will my trip be from the new garage to the train?** The travel time from parking in the new garage to the train will depend on where you park in the garage and to which track you are going or coming from. As an example, your travel time from Level 2 in the new garage to Track 5 for a trip to New York will be shorter than a comparable trip from the Original Garage or the 2004 Garage. However, a return trip from Track 4 to the new garage will be longer than a comparable trip to the Original Garage or the 2004 Garage.

**When will the new garage be completed?** The project is currently in a conceptual design phase. Preliminary design will be completed after all public input is received on the conceptual design. Final design and construction will be completed as a design-build project; it is anticipated a design-build team will be selected in 2019 and the new garage will be completed within approximately two years from that time.

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