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Construction Work to Close Portion of Civic Center Parking Lot

Improvements to the Civic Center parking lot to add more parking and green space will require closing sections for the parking lot for construction work.

The front half of the Civic Center parking lot, frequently referred to as the "back 40" parking lot, will be closed beginning March 22, 2012, until approximately May 2, 2012. The remaining area will then be closed from approximately May 2, 2012 until June 15, 2012.

The front half of the parking lot (Sections 1 & 2 per attachment) runs along 9th street behind The Centre, Civic Center and Vanderburgh County Court Building. The back half of the parking lot (Sections 3 & 4 per attachment) is located between 10th and 11th streets near the C.K. Newsome Community Center.

"The construction is part of the Back 40 Parking Lot Green Improvement project", said David Rector, General Manager of the Evansville-Vanderburgh County Building Authority. The project is in response to a consent decree reached between the City of Evansville, the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to remove storm water from city sewer lines.

The project will involve installing grass islands with trees, rain gardens to capture storm water runoff and underground detention chambers for storm water storage. The rain gardens and underwater detention system are designed to promote storm water filtration. The system is estimated to remove 6 million gallons of combined sewer overflows. When completed, the project will add an additional 260 parking spaces to the Civic Center parking lot.

Motorists who park in the Civic Center parking lot to do business at the Civic Center, or while attending events at The Centre and Ford Center, are encouraged to use on-street parking, the Third Street Parking Garage at 315 Locust Street or the Sycamore Street Parking Garage at 500 Sycamore Street.