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City of Danville hosts groundbreaking ceremony for Spring Street Parking Garage

The Danville Office of Economic Development & Tourism (DOEDT) hosted a groundbreaking ceremony on October 23, 2025, to mark the beginning of construction for the Spring Street Parking Garage. The facility will be located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Spring Street and Union Street, Danville.

The project will feature a six-tier, single-use public parking garage offering over 430 parking spaces within a single building footprint. Designed to enhance the visual appeal of the downtown streetscape, the garage will reflect a high-quality aesthetic that complements its surroundings. Rivermont LLC, based in Durham, North Carolina, is the leading developer of the project.

Community leaders and partners joined to celebrate the occasion, including Alonzo Jones, Danville Mayor, Alyssa Turner, River District Association (RDA) Interim Director, and Michael Lemanski, Rivermont Chief Executive Officer. Each shared celebratory remarks on the anticipated economic impact and community benefits of this new development.

"The Spring Street Parking Garage isn't just about parking; it's about supporting the people and businesses that make our River District so special," said Danville Mayor Alonzo Jones. "With more parking and easier access, we're helping our local businesses thrive, welcoming new opportunities, and keeping the heart of our city strong and growing."

"The River District Association is proud to support the development of the new downtown parking garage, a critical infrastructure project that will significantly enhance accessibility and convenience for residents, visitors, and businesses," said RDA Interim Director, Alyssa Turner. "This investment represents a pivotal step in continuing to foster a thriving, welcoming, and economically robust downtown. By expanding parking capacity, we are laying the groundwork for increased foot traffic and stronger support for local merchants, as well as creating the conditions for a more vibrant and connected community."

"We are proud to partner with the City of Danville on this transformative project," said Michael Lemanski, CEO of Rivermont. "The Spring Street Parking Garage is a key investment in the future of the River District, supporting growth, improving accessibility, and strengthening the foundation for a more vibrant downtown."

The Industrial Development Authority (IDA) of Danville approved the purchase of the property at their July 2025 meeting for the purpose of construction, ownership, and operation of a downtown parking project.

Neal Morris, IDA Chair, said, "Members of the IDA Board are excited to see the Spring Street Parking Garage moving to reality. Parking studies have shown the need for parking in the River District with the growth downtown over the past several years. This additional parking will help alleviate the parking shortage and also provide parking for the influx of people going to Dan River Falls and the new Riverfront Park that will open soon."

Designed by Built Form Architects, based in Durham, North Carolina, and built by general contractor, Howard Shockey and Sons, of Richmond, Virginia, the project's expected completion timeline is 14 months.

For updates on the Spring Street Parking Garage and other development initiatives, visit www.discoverdanville.com or follow the Danville Office of Economic Development & Tourism on social media.

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