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Makeover of City Hall parking garage

New façade aimed at renovating 20-year-old facility to blend with landmark City Hall and attract tenants to fill empty retail space

The City is launching a mission next week to revitalize the half block parking structure across from City Hall, Cal EPA, and Cesar Chavez Park at I and 10th and 11th streets. While structural repairs are underway, the City will take advantage of renovating the look and feel of the City Hall parking garage, in hopes of attracting new tenants to the building's perimeter with a successful, proven business history to this bustling corner.

“This parking garage sits at the epicenter of downtown and is a prime location for future new business given the abundance of foot traffic that passes this garage on a daily basis,” said Denise Malvetti with the City’s Economic Development Department. “We have a real opportunity to give this structure a fresh look, and reposition it in the fashion it deserves sitting across from the newly renovated park.”

During the project, the garage interior and exterior will be repainted, new canopies and tenant signage added, way finding signage will be added to the interior, and more outdoor lighting added. Please see three sketches [sketches here for phase one](#).

Work will progress through January 2014. Repairs and renovations are being planned to limit inconvenience to parking customers and tenants. The City has already replaced the interior lights with LEDs and work to replace four elevators is nearing completion.

There currently is approximately 2,060 square feet of unused retail space available for lease. More space will become available within the next year as some City services are relocated. The City owns eight public parking garages and leases business and retail space to 17 tenants.

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