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FACT SHEET

BUCKS COUNTY JUDICIAL PARKING FACILITY **DOYLESTOWN BOROUGH, BROAD ST. BETWEEN DOYLE AND UNION**

Dedication: June 30, 2010

Number of Parking Spaces: 1,200, tiered over four floors including access ramps

Architect: Tim Haahs

General Contractor: Lobar

Vehicular entries/exits: 4, two located at Doyle St.; one each at Broad St. and Union St.

Pedestrian entries/exits: Located on Union St., and at the corners of Broad & Union streets and Broad & Doyle streets.

Elevators: 3, located at the Union St. lobby as well at the Broad & Doyle street lobby, they feature stamped concrete flooring

Security cameras: 43, located throughout the facility

Emergency "blue" phones: 23, also located throughout the garage

Design elements: - The façade of the parking structure was driven by the Borough of Doylestown's effort to combine the traditional architecture of Doylestown with a contemporary style. TimHaahs used a combination of traditional materials, geometry, and architectural patterns to create a building that blends with its neighbors in terms of height, materials, and windows, while adding contemporary detailing to give the building a warm and intimate feeling.

- Architectural precast and thin-brick were used to complement the context. Ornamentation such as colonial windows, ornate metal grills, and reveals in the brick were integrated into the garage to tie the contemporary and the traditional.



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- The northwest stair tower serves as a prime architectural element. Using a clock tower as a focal point for design, the building creates a visual entryway to the downtown district.

Other features: Graffiti proof paint was used throughout the facility, which features ample openings to allow natural light at all levels.

Parking is currently free, but drivers entering the garage must take a ticket and insert the same ticket into the exit lane parking equipment upon leaving.

Although natural light is abundant throughout the facility due to design elements, lighting also will be controlled by a computer-based system utilizing photo cell light sensors, timers and manual switches. Each level has multiple zones that are capable of being controlled independently. Light sensors and timers allow the county General Services department to control the garage lighting, in an effort to minimize energy consumption.