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Expanded Parking Part of Airport Growth Plan

Dayton International Airport's plan to construct a parking lot at the current site of the Dayton Airport Hotel is the latest step in a multi-faceted effort to improve customer service and the business environment.

The new long-term lot will expand parking capacity by 1,000 spaces and is expected to generate nearly \$1 million in yearly revenue. The airport is also planning to construct a 2,100-space short-term parking garage in front of the main terminal.

The Dayton Airport Hotel, open since 1970, will close on January 16, 2009. The parking lot to be built in its place and the multi-level garage will be under construction by mid-2009.

Additional improvements underway or planned include a new 258-foot-tall control tower, reconstruction of Terminal Drive, enhanced landscaping, additional restaurants in the terminal, and passenger amenities such as art displays and live music. The airport will also seek a developer for construction of a new hotel on airport property.

Passenger boardings at Dayton International have increased steadily during the past two years and were up more than 10 percent in February over the same period in 2007.

For more information about the Dayton International Airport, visit www.flydayton.com. To find Dayton International Airport's most affordable fares, go to www.thinkdaytonfirst.com

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