The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is implementing a nearly $400 million capital improvement program over the next three years at Midway International Airport that will significantly upgrade the travel experience for years to come. The Midway Modernization Program (MMP) will bring new and expanded concessions, a larger security checkpoint area, and an expanded terminal parking garage.

The CDA will oversee a phased approach to construction on MMP projects to minimize traffic impacts to the surrounding community and to maintain seamless operations at Midway to keep employees and travelers moving through the airport.

Security Checkpoint Expansion

✍️ The south bridge is now complete with all structural steel and the concrete deck in place.

- Additional steel work planned for later.

✍️ North mezzanine is also complete and open to the public.

- Lower level door #3 and door #4 have re-opened.
- Three (3) new sets of escalators and one (1) new elevator are also operational.

✍️ Construction walls moved to the south side of baggage claim, mezzanine, and ticketing levels in early August.

- Lower level door #2, two existing escalators, and two existing elevators will be closed for duration of work through early 2020.

✍️ TSA will move to the north section of the new security pavilion when it is expected to open later this fall.

- 15 total lanes will be available including the employee lane.

Terminal Parking Garage Enhancements

✍️ Improvement work is ongoing on level 5 of the garage, including:

- Replacement of vehicle wheel stops and re-striping of parking spaces.
- Upgrades to lighting and painting.

✍️ Temporary, partial closures planned on level 5 during work.

✍️ Temporary, partial lane closures also planned for the north garage helix for LED light installation.

✍️ CTA Orange Line Station access available at temporary Kiss & Ride lot entrance off of 59th Street.

We recognize the disruption construction can cause and thank you for your patience as we make much needed improvements. We hope you will join in our excitement as we watch a Modern Midway rise up around us!

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The Concessions Redevelopment Program will reflect Chicago’s diversity and showcase the best of local options and brands through a $75 million private partnership investment. With more than 70 offerings planned, the effort will double concessions jobs from 700 to 1,400.

Concessions Redevelopment Program

Two Chicago classics open this Fall:

- Permanent location of **Home Run Inn** (Gates B17/B19) will serve local, favorite pizza pies starting September 10.
- Midway favorite **Harry Caray’s** (Gates A9/A11) returns to the lineup on September 27.

Construction also starts in September on several permanent and temporary locations:

- **Dunkin Donuts** (Hudson/Central Market): Temporary location will be built in current Café Espresso space during September with an October opening.
- **Big City Chicken** (Gate B7 - currently Tap & Pour): Construction begins end of August with opening planned for January 2020.
- **Sarah’s Candies** (Gate B2 - currently Sweet Indulgences): Construction begins after Labor Day with a November opening.
- **Dunkin Donuts** (Gate B20): Construction starts after Labor Day with opening planned for January 2020.

Central Market Changes This Fall!

In mid-September, the retail kiosks in the middle of the Central Market will be removed to allow for a temporary seating configuration. This work will enable the next phase of concession redevelopment to begin in mid-October. Seating capacity will remain consistent during construction.

Building System Improvements

Improvements to Midway’s building systems began in August with minimal impacts, such as:

- Brief, intermittent closures in different areas for HVAC and lighting upgrades.
- Temporary closures at gates/waiting areas in Concourses C and A through early November.
- Only two gates affected at a time.
- Extra seating will be in place.

This project is expected to last up to a year, but should not affect overall operations or travelers.

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