# Bowser Administration, U.S. Army Corps Announce Set-Up of DC Convention Center into Alternate Care Facility

Monday, April 20, 2020
District to Enforce Emergency No Parking Restrictions Around Convention Center

(Washington, DC) – In coordination with the Bowser Administration, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, has issued a design/build contract to Hensel Phelps Construction Co., to convert the Walter E. Washington Convention Center into an alternate care facility to support the District's response to coronavirus (COVID-19). The goal is to never need to use the Convention Center, but by the first week of May, 500 beds will be ready.

"While our goal is to never use the Convention Center, we must have the capacity to support a potential increase in COVID-19 patients," said Mayor Bowser. "We thank the Army Corps, FEMA, and Events DC for their continued partnership during this public health emergency."

"Through FEMA, our job is to provide the District of Columbia with a tailored space that meets their anticipated medical surge needs to augment existing healthcare facilities," said Col. John Litz, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District Commander. "Our goal, leveraging our contractor's expertise, is to get this site operational as quickly as

possible while meeting medical standards, so equipment and beds can be placed and health care providers can take over, should the need arise."

"We're proud to do our part during this unprecedented crisis by converting the Walter E. Washington Convention Center into a temporary alternate care site to help relieve the burden of the local hospital system," said Greg O'Dell, President and Chief Executive Officer of Events DC. "We will remain in this fight together."

## Emergency No Parking

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) announced the following emergency no parking restrictions in the area surrounding the Convention Center effective Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 12:01 am.

- 1100 Block 9th Street NW (Mt. Vernon Pl to L St NW): East curb lane
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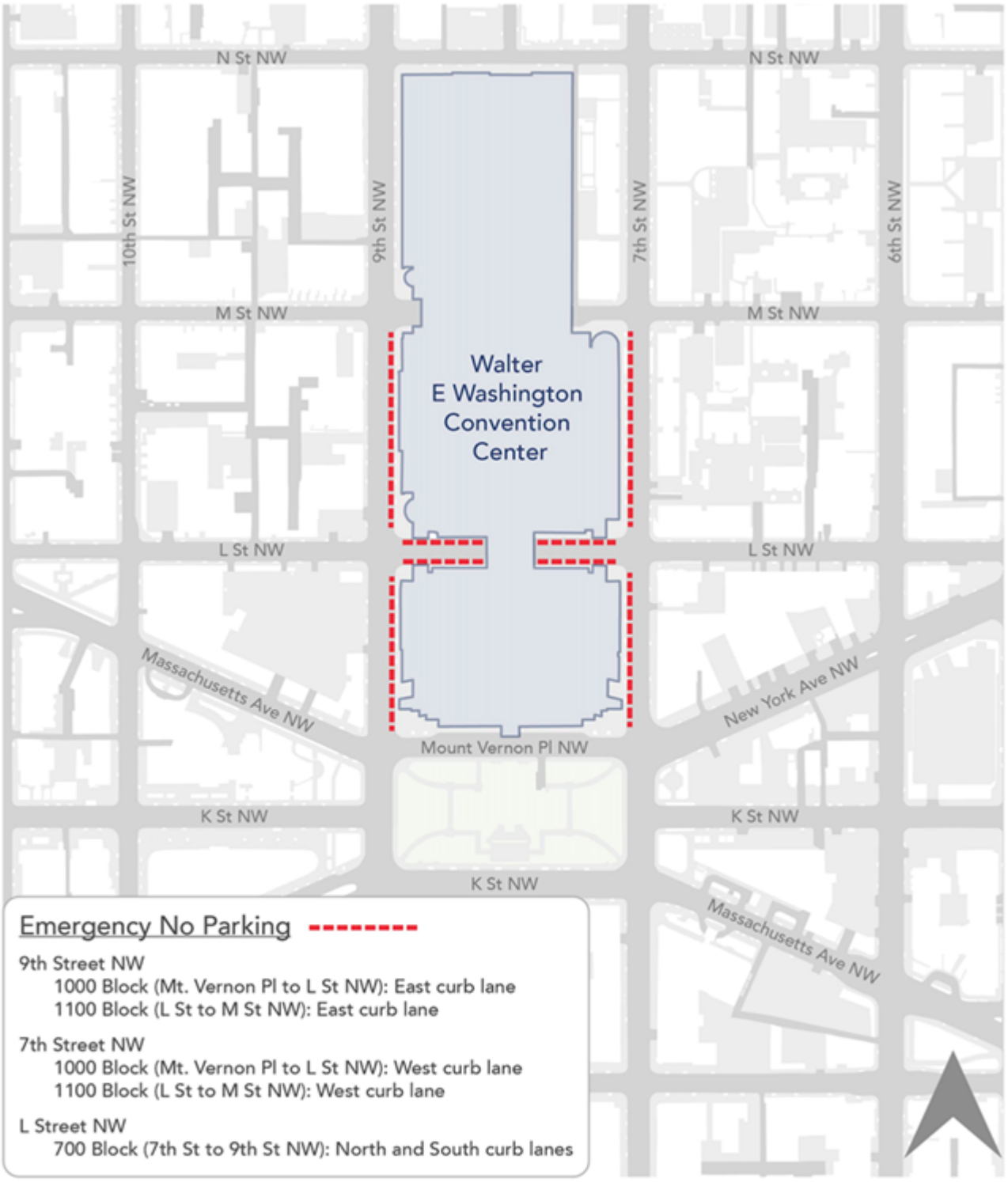
- 1100 Block 7th Street NW (Mt. Vernon Pl to L St NW): West curb lane
- 1100 Block 7th Street NW (L St to M St NW): West curb lane
- 700 Block L Street NW (7th St to 9th St NW): North and South curb lanes

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Effective April 21, 2020

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