

Gwinnett Justice & Administration Center

Lawrenceville, Georgia

The Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center is currently undergoing an expansion project that is expected to be completed in 2020. According to local reports, Gwinnett officials broke ground on the first phase of the project last year. After studying several possible locations, the final location was determined to be positioned behind the existing courthouse on land occupied by the existing parking deck. The new courthouse expansion features a fresh facade fronting Nash Street and a new state-of-the-art security entrance directly connected to the new 1,500-car parking deck. The exterior design has a modern glass identity while respecting the existing building. Sun-shading louvers are among some of the sustainability considerations utilized on the design of this potential LEED project.

Pieper O'Brien Herr Architects (in association with DLR Group) provided architecture, interior, and graphic design services for the project. Contractors are Gilbane Building Company in association with Reeves Young.

The new building and parking garage are connected to the existing building by newly constructed enclosed pedestrian sky bridges and an elevated plaza.

PROJECT DETAILS

The \$75 million project will include:

180,485-SF addition to the existing Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center

1,500 vehicle multi-level parking garage

The new expansion wing includes courtroom, judges' chambers, jury deliberation rooms, a jury assembly room, central and courtroom detainee holding areas, a central security screening lobby, a mechanical plant, and shell space for future expansion.

The project may also include a limited amount of office build-out within the new building and renovation of vacated spaces within the existing Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center.