



City of Chicago

Cermak-McCormick Place Green Line Station Area



The new Cermak-McCormick Place Green Line Station.

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Completed in 2010, the [Chicago Transit-Friendly Development at CTA Stations](#) report provided recommendations for transit-supportive land uses near three CTA stations, including the newly-opened Cermak-McCormick Place Green Line Station. The plan envisioned high-density, walkable development with a focus on residential and hotel use centered around a new CTA Green Line station at Cermak.

Implementation Highlights The new Cermak-McCormick Place Green Line Station, funded with \$50 million in City TIF funds, opened for service in February 2015. The new station is expected to serve 2,000 riders per day and offer a convenient transit option for commuters, residents, employees and visitors to McCormick Place while helping to support economic development in the area. The station includes three entrance points: one on each side of Cermak Road and one at 23rd Street. The main station building is located on the north side of Cermak Road and includes elevators, bike racks, state-of-the-art security, and enclosed boarding platforms. Additionally, the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority board (McPier) approved the purchase of the final land for a planned entertainment district in the South Loop near McCormick Place and the Cermak-McCormick CTA Green Line Station. When complete, the entertainment district, located in the historic Motor Row district, will include a 10,000 seat event center that will host DePaul University basketball games and conventions, a 28-story, 500-room hotel with 49,000 square feet of retail, a 1,200-room Marriot Marquis at Cermak and Prairie Avenue, rehabbed meeting rooms and retail space, a 359,000 square foot data center and potentially a new boutique hotel. Construction on the data center, arena and Marriot hotel are currently underway, with all projects expected to be complete in 2017.



Rendering of future McCormick Place entertainment district. Photo Credit: James McHugh Construction