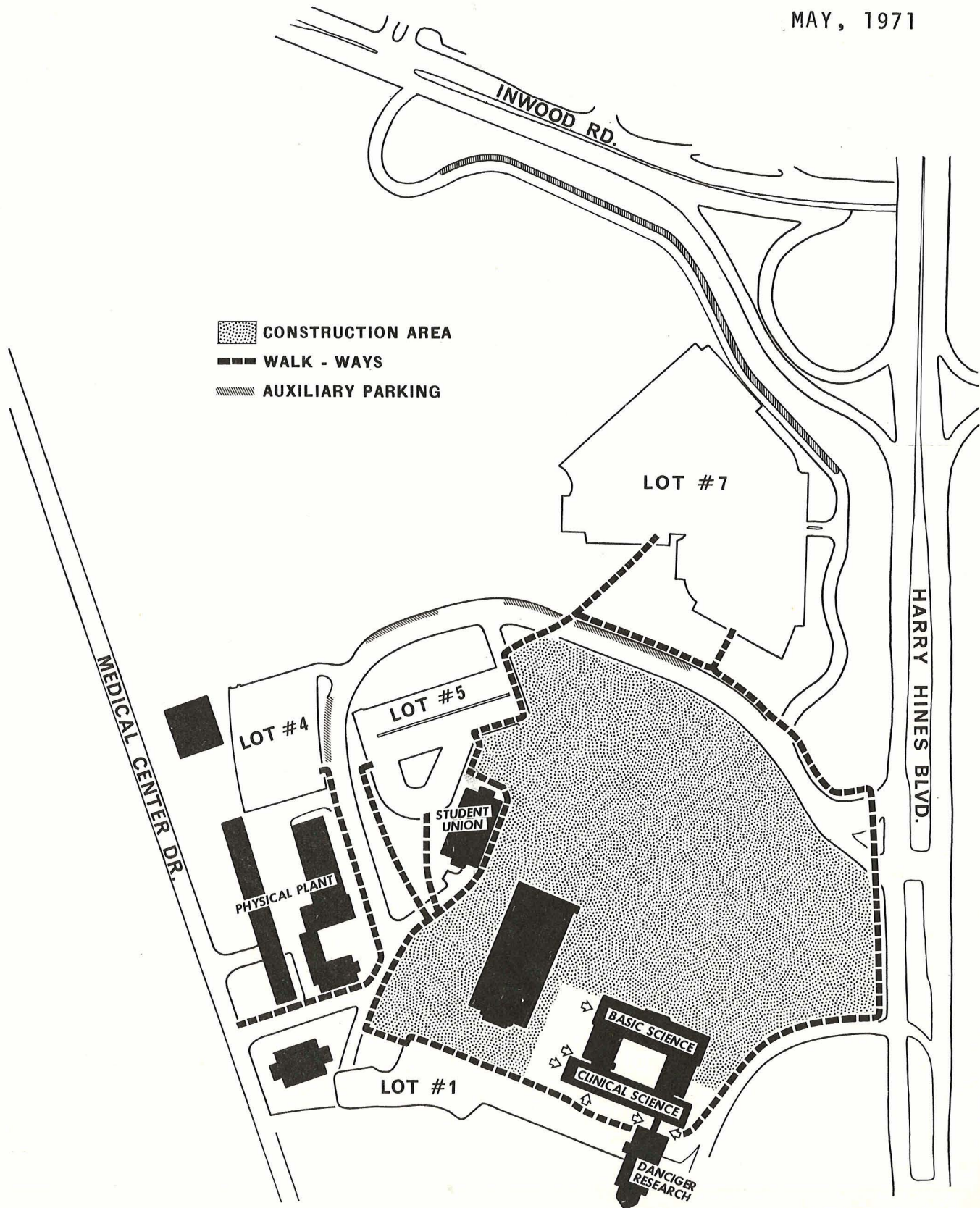


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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL SCHOOL AT DALLAS

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CONTRACTOR EXPECTED TO MAKE EARLY START PARKING, WALKS, ENTRANCES WILL CHANGE

A series of speedy administrative moves has paved the way for a surprisingly early start on construction of the \$29.3 million Phase One building program. It's possible that the Robert E. McKee Construction Co., which was awarded the contract at \$23,294,800, will fence off the construction area by around May 17.

Briefly, the Cary Building entrance will be closed as the area in front up to the new loop road becomes construction domain. Pedestrian walks will be relocated to skirt both west and east sides of this area, with the east side walk waiting on relocation of a gasoline line.

Parking will be shifted, with major points being:

- The faculty lot south of the Hoblitzelle building, already shrunk by the Forensic Sciences Institute, will shrink even further to about 80 spaces because of fire lane requirements. This will be used for the Dean's office, for handicapped, department chairmen, patients and visitors.
- The faculty in general will park on Lot 5 west of the Skillern Student Union. However, since there are only 154 places here, some may have to go to Lot 4 by the Physical Plant buildings or back up the hill to Lot 7 near Inwood Rd.
- Staff parking will be on Lots 7 and 4. In addition, there will be designated strips of parking along the north loop and Inwood entrance streets. This, however, will be on an as needed basis with officers issuing permits. Bicycles will go east of Danciger.

In order to forestall a parking spillover, an emergency authorization was obtained to treat the grassy area south of Lot 7 with a temporary surface coating for parking. Work on this may already be underway, or will be shortly.

There will be two major pedestrian walkways. The first will begin at the west side of Lot 7, take a line parallel to the front of the Student Union, actually use part of the union's walk, continue south past the construction area of the Basic Sciences Research Building, then turn east toward the Danciger Lobby. Although this will be the main entrance for the school, faculty and staff will be able to use the back and side doors of the Cary and Hoblitzelle buildings.

The second pedestrian walkway will skirt the construction area next to Harry Hines and give access to the east Danciger Lobby entrance. Relocation of a Sinclair gasoline line under the campus will be the key to construction of this walk.

Other walks in the area of the Physical Plant building will provide access for those parking on Medical Center Drive.

For the time being, there will still be two entrances to the school, the one off Hines and the one off Medical Center Drive. The agreement already has been effected, however, for the new traffic light

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and entrance off Inwood Rd. opposite St. Paul Hospital. Faculty members seeing patients are asked to direct them in by the Medical Center Drive entrance to Parking Lot 1.

UTSMS police will be stationed at all entrances to tighten security on unauthorized parking and to assist faculty, staff and students with the new changes in lots and parking.

The flagpole in front of the Cary Building will be removed to a spot just off the new road. The one area light behind the union building will be left where it is, and ten new lights will be put up around the campus.

While the new construction will be an inconvenience to many, it is hoped it will not be for as long as first anticipated. The contractor is allowed 39 months for completion but his spokesmen have indicated a desire that the job be finished as soon as possible.

