

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

OCTOBER 20, 2017

HIGHBALL

Reminder that Streetscape construction activities will not be active today and tomorrow for Highball. The construction team will be back on-site Monday, Oct. 23. Party-goers can expect mostly finished work under foot and the presence of orange barrels. For more about the event, visit highballcolumbus.org.

NEW: VINE STREET PARTIAL CLOSURE

Beginning this Monday, Oct. 23, Vine Street will be closed from Wall Street to High Street for removal and replacement of the final intersection in this phase of the project. The North Market parking lot and Vine Street garage will both be accessible. Noise impacts will be more pronounced during excavation work earlier in the week.

Re-routing:

- From the west on Vine Street: turn northward onto Park Street (just before North Market), and travel up to Goodale Street, turning right (eastbound) to connect to High St.

BETWEEN VINE AND GOODALE STREETS

- Bump-out construction was recently completed at both Vine and Spruce streets. In this area, sidewalks are substantially complete on the west side of High Street as well.
- You may have noticed that new signal poles have been put in place. Next, workers will hang lighting, run wiring, install new signal heads, and then tie power into the new system. This will occur over the next two weeks. As soon as this is complete, power will be switched over to the new signals which will not cause power disturbances to businesses or residents.
- Milling and repaving on High Street, one of the final steps in Streetscape project work, is set for the week of Nov. 6.
- Landscaping work, including the planting of trees, will occur as soon as the leaves fall and new trees are able to be transplanted without harming their lifespan.

NOISE IMPACTS

Expect noise impacts to be pronounced at the beginning of excavation activities beginning Monday and last for two to three days. This will lessen afterward, when crews move to brick laying and other build-out activities.

NATIONWIDE SIGNAL REPLACEMENT

Work continues on signal replacements at the corner of Nationwide Boulevard and High Street. In the next couple days, crews will finish running conduit to wire signals, which means they won't be working as far into the roadway. Most work after this will be accomplished along the curb lanes.

BETWEEN 7TH/KING AND 9TH AVENUES

At 7th and King avenues, sidewalks and curb work is wrapping up in the next couple days. Watch for private utility companies on site in this area as well doing work that compliments the Streetscapes project.

ART ON HIGH

The Art on High Strategic Master Plan builds upon the Streetscape Improvement Project by integrating art into the public landscape and fostering connections between people and public space. Visit artonhigh.org for more information about how you can get involved.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

See below for updates on construction activities unrelated to the Streetscapes project also occurring in the corridor.

BETWEEN HULL STREET AND EAST HUBBARD AVENUE

Beginning Nov. 6, work will get under way at 800 North High Street – a new private development project being built on the east side of High Street. This means the far east lane of High Street will be closed and all east-side meters between Hull Street and East Hubbard Avenue will be bagged. The four meters on East Hubbard Avenue will be bagged and the sidewalk on the south side of this road will be closed to pedestrians to accommodate needs of the work zone and maintain safety. In addition, approximately the first 200 feet of North Pearl Street from East Hubbard Avenue southward will be closed for work zone activities.

Expect pedestrian access through this area and to businesses to be fully maintained on both sides of High Street. It will also be maintained on the north side of East Hubbard Avenue for continued access to these businesses as well as the Hubbard Garage. These restrictions will be in place for approximately 19 months throughout the build-out, with completion slated for May 2019.

AT THE CONVENTION CENTER

Work is being performed to enhance the visitor experience at the turnaround located at the south end of the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Please be cautious navigating the area and follow directional signage as the Convention Center's construction crew works toward completion by end of year.

Estimated construction schedule: May 15 – Nov. 10

An overview of the project and additional information is always available at columbus.gov/highstreet

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