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Mexican American Cultural Center Phase 2 Improvements  
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Current Project Phase: **Construction Document, Permitting, Bidding & Negotiation Phase**

- Construction Documentation, Permitting, Bidding & Negotiation are in progress and are being completed in two packages (Site & Building).
- The first Bid Package (Site/Infrastructure – Guaranty Maximum Price (GMP 1) has been executed by City of Austin. A Notice to Proceed was granted on 8/28/2023.
- Site work and Central Plant Building has begun construction.
- The Austin Energy (AE) managed Chilled Water Pipe Extension project to connect the MACC to the downtown chilled water network has begun excavation in the MACC parking lot. AE has received a Right-of-Way Permit to perform work in the Red River Alley but was restricted to a start date of 10/16/23.
- The second Bid Package (Building -GMP2) – is still being vetted. Negotiations are on-going.
- Art in Public Places (AIPP)
  - The AIPP Prospectus for the MACC Phase 2 was developed and a call for artist(s) for the project was released on May 9, 2023.
  - Due to the lack of participation in the May call for artist, a revised call for artist will be extended to all of Texas.
  - Arts Commission approved new Texas call in September 2023.
  - Anticipated new Texas call opens in October 2023.
- The next Coordination meeting between The Confluence at Waterloo Greenway's (Adjacent Project) General Contractor, Jay-Reese, the MACC's Construction Manager-At-Risk (Rogers-O'Brien) and AE Chilled Water General Contractor, DeNucci, is scheduled for early November to collaborate as more construction traffic is anticipated starting in January 2024 with all three contractors onsite concurrently. The MACC is a point of access for Jay-Reese at the northern portion of the parkland property as agreed to and documented in the 4/6/21, memo to the ESB-MACC Advisory Board.
- Sustainable Design: The project is tracking both LEED 4.0 BD+C Silver (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) and AEGB 3-star (Austin Energy Green Building) certification.

- Communication continues between City of Austin departments, the public and private developments.
- The Trail Conservancy and City of Austin is coordinating a minor short term trail re-route to the Ann and Roy Butler hike-and-bike trail at Lady Bird Lake. The temporary re-route (~250' South end) will run parallel to the existing trail. The re-route is targeted to be in place late November 2023, lasting approximately 12-weeks. A map will be provided on the website and posted to social media.

Anticipated Timeline:

- Construction Documentation/Permitting/Bidding: Began January 2023
- Site Construction Start: August/September 2023
- AE Chilled Water Construction Start: September 2023
- Construction Substantial completion: Anticipated Spring 2025
- Grand Opening: Anticipated Summer 2025

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