

Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center Phase 2 Improvements Project Update November 2023



September - October

Work Completed

Site

- Preconstruction inspection
- Tree protection and silt fence
- Trees pruned and/or removed
- Art In Public Places Snake path removed and cataloged for storage
- Austin Energy (AE) District Cooling Network Connection project initiation with pre-excavating activities
- Utilities scoping and investigation

Building

- Partial demolition of central plant

November

Work Proposed or Ongoing

Site

- Tree preparation for relocation
- Heavy equipment excavating and grading the site
- Building biofiltration ponds to control storm water
- Short term trail re-route for a portion of the south segment of the Ann and Roy Butler hike-and-bike trail running parallel to existing trail is being planned for late November 27th, lasting for 12-weeks. A map is provided on the project website and posted to social media. This is due to the installation of the piping from the biofiltration ponds to the shoreline to control storm water. The pipe runs below the Hike & Bike Trail
- Soil preparation for foundation of north & south crescent additions
- Deliveries and hauling entering at River Street construction entrance and leaving at Bierce Street construction exit
- Austin Energy (AE) District Cooling Network Connection project excavating in parking lot to lay new pipes and trenching at Red River alley. This resulted in “thru-traffic” closure of the alley.

Building

- Construction of a new mechanical room at the central plant

Announcements:

- The Art in Public Places Call for Artist(s) statewide was postponed to November 1 and will remain opened for five weeks.
- Rainey Street Trailhead – managed by The Trail Conservancy has construction underway as of October 23, 2023.
- The Confluence at Waterloo Greenway – construction is underway. Regular access of the Confluence construction site via parking lot at the MACC is anticipated starting January 2024.

Scheduled Milestones:

- Construction began – **August 28, 2023**
- Anticipated completion of all major construction activity – **Spring 2025**
- Anticipated grand opening – **Summer 2025**

Please note that as in any construction project, schedules are projected as accurately as possible, but all dates are subject to change due to the nature of construction and weather.

Safety:

Please note this is an active construction site. Unauthorized entry is not permitted.

[the MACC webpage](#)

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AE Trench for MACC District Cooling Connection



Tree Protection / Snake Path Removal/Cataloging



Partial Demolition of Mechanical Yard



Biofiltration Ponds