

# Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center Phase 2 Improvements Project Update October 4, 2024

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## **PROJECT TIMELINE:**

- ESB MACC Groundbreaking for Phase 2 Improvements / Move-Out Began– 12/10/22.
- Parking Lot Closure – 3/10/23.
- Contractor Mobilization/Pre-construction Inspections – Began 3/11/23.
- Permitting (Site) – Approved on 7/25/23.
- Bidding & Negotiation (GMP1/Site) – Executed contract on 8/28/23.
- Construction (Site) – Underway since 8/28/23.
- Permitting (Building) – Approved on 3/4/24.
- Bidding & Negotiation (GMP2/Building) – Executed contract on 3/7/24.
- Construction (Site + Building) – Currently underway.
- AIPP ESB-MACC Phase 2 – Artist(s) selection approval by Austin City Council on 8/29/24
- Topping Out – Topmost structural beam was lifted into place on 9/11/24.

## CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS:

- Building HVAC (heating, cooling & air condition) controls are being programmed and integrated with existing software after permanent cooling is in place.
- Construction of site retaining walls continues for the next two months.
- Storm water lines are being located at the zocalo perimeter for drainage.
- Steel for the shade structure in the zocalo is expected to arrive and erected this month.
- Slab for the expansion on level two has been poured for the south addition followed by the north addition.
- Interior framing and preparations for overhead plumbing is underway in the new additions.
- Auditorium renovation of a new raised control booth has begun.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Concrete pours will continue. Large steel delivery expected this month. Work hours will adhere to the City's noise ordinance. Ordinance information can be found [here](#).
- The Confluence, a separate public/private partnership project has increased activities at the ESB MACC. The parking lot is the construction access point for the east side of the creek delta. Additional information can be found [here](#).
- Topping Out event photos can be found [here](#).
- Drone video illustrating ESB MACC site work can be found [here](#).

## SCHEDULED MILESTONES:

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

For information on ESB MACC programs and staff relocations during construction, visit the MACC webpage: [www.austintexas.gov/department/emma-s-barrientos-mexican-american-cultural-center](http://www.austintexas.gov/department/emma-s-barrientos-mexican-american-cultural-center)

For project updates, visit the project website: [www.austintexas.gov/MaccPhase2](http://www.austintexas.gov/MaccPhase2)



Topping Out Event



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Topping Out: Signed top beam lifted and welded into place.



Site: Forms and reinforcement for retaining walls in progress.



Building: Interior framing in process



Building: Teaching kitchen framing in progress.



Building: Dance Studio framing in process



Building: Overhead plumbing being braced.



Building: View of level 2 exterior walkway.



Building: Auditorium new raised control booth.