

This update provides a summary level status of the Project Through April 2024

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The project is reconstructing the original 12.5 blocks of the 16th Street Mall between Market and Broadway. Key project highlights include:

- Transitway realignment and consolidation
- Wider ADA accessible walkways and new amenity zones for increased safety and activation opportunities
- New granite paving system with improved drainage and surface friction
- Replacement and expansion of the tree canopy
- Public Life foundational elements to enable implementation of the Public Space/Public Life Playbook
- Honoring the iconic design of the Mall while implementing the community vision that has been developed over the past decade

PROJECT UPDATE

Construction is progressing with project activity between Blake and Broadway Streets (map of current activity on next page). Additional schedule and completion information is available through our dashboard on the project website www.denvergov.org/16thStreetMall

DESIGN

- Engineering is nearing completion, with final design being completed for Public Life elements. 100% fountain design is anticipated in May.
- Furnishings, fixtures, and equipment (FF&E) are being procured for installation.
- Poetic Kinetics has been selected for the International Art Call. Final Public Art design is anticipated to be complete in 2024.

CONSTRUCTION

- Work is active on 16th Street between Blake and Broadway. Work includes storm and water installation, transitway and Stratavault system construction, transit and pedestrian paver installation, and tree planting.
- The newly installed transitway was open to pedestrians as construction shifted to Phase 2 in Blocks 1 and 2.
- Intersection reconstruction is complete at Larimer, Lawrence, Arapahoe, and Champa, and is underway at Stout and Tremont.



Historic trolley tracks discovered in Tremont intersection.

PROJECT LOOK-AHEAD

- Blocks will open between Market and Lawrence this summer; fences are already starting to come down between Larimer and Lawrence. New features are already arriving!



New granite and trees between Larimer and Lawrence.

- In partnership with the City, DDP is procuring a firm to help rebrand and position 16th Street for success into the future. We received nearly 30 proposals and will make a selection this summer.
- The project team is coordinating closely with RTD to bring the free MallRide shuttle back to 16th Street in September from Market to Curtis once the first four blocks are complete around Labor Day.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- PCL has a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) design goal of 18%, with the actual contract commitment of 20.7%

and a DBE construction goal of 17%, with the actual contract commitments of 21.8%.

- DEDO and DDP continue to promote the business support program to eligible businesses along 16th Street and intersecting streets between 15th and 17th.
- Through April 15, 103 businesses have received over \$1.15M in grant funding.

WORKFORCE

- PCL continues to work closely with DEDO and WORKNOW to expand the apprentice pipeline for project work, document efforts and on the job training.

COMMUNICATIONS

- E-blasts are sent biweekly and in advance of work milestones to promote awareness. Signup is on the project website.
- Direct emails are sent to nearby stakeholders in advance of new project activities and outreach to individual businesses continue in Blocks 3 and 4 to balance business and construction needs as transitions to Phase 2 continue.
- Late last year, a project dashboard was launched on the website to increase transparency and provide proactive

communication on budget, workforce, safety and more.

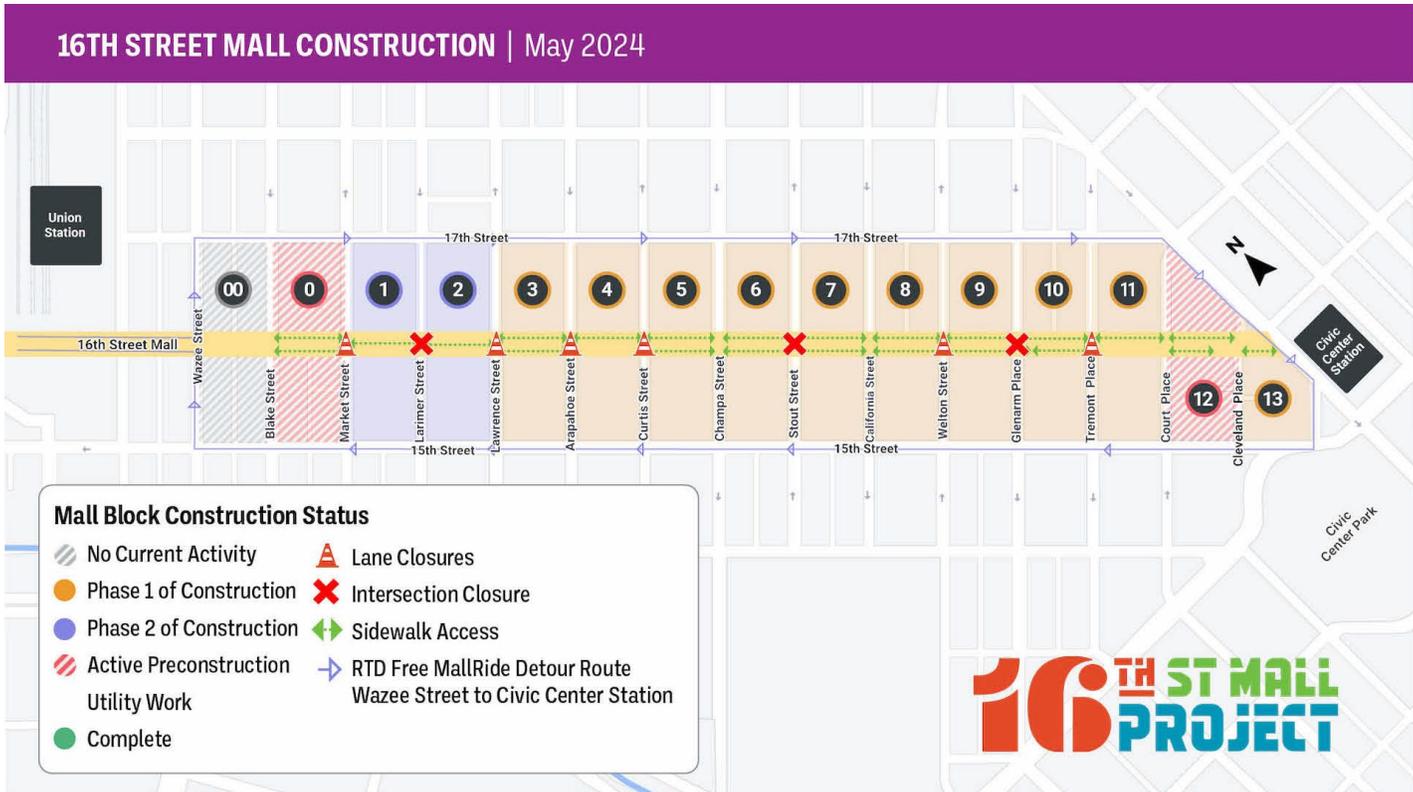
Response has been overwhelmingly positive.

- From January 1 to March 31, the project team sent 35 e-blasts and construction notifications, responded to 75 stakeholder inquiries, attended 23 in-person meetings and made 115 phone calls to businesses and stakeholders.
- Check-ins with stakeholders adjacent to project activity, the Mall Champions Group and BID Board continue to be effective in solving challenges and aligning expectations.

UPCOMING COUNCIL ACTIONS

- Approval Request - U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Grant: The City and County of Denver received a \$750,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This grant will finance a portion of the transit and pedestrian paving systems.
- Contract Amendment Approval Request - Mall Tree Nursery Maintenance: Additional costs for tree maintenance services for trees being cared for in nurseries prior to permanent installation on 16th Street or other downtown areas. The contract will be leveraged for additional forestry tree support.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES MAP



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16TH ST MALL
PROJECT

Greenback Cutthroat Trout Moment of Joy



Beehive Play Structure



Scattered Leaves Moment of Joy



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