TRANSFORMING Southbank Boulevard

Construction update

August 2020

Works commenced in July on the new Civic Space located in front of the ABC Southbank Centre between Moore Street and Sturt Street, and have progressed well with the majority of roadway and footpath demolition works now complete.

Construction will continue on the Civic Space throughout the second half of 2020, together with completion of the bike lanes along Southbank Boulevard near the City Road intersection. These sections of bike lane were put on hold to allow for works on nearby construction projects, and can now be completed.

Construction of the Civic Space

The Civic Space will be built in two parts, with the majority of construction occurring within the fenced off areas.

The eastern section, located closest to Sturt Street, will be constructed first and will feature a large lawn area that can be used for events and recreation and will be bordered by garden beds and tree planting.

As the eastern section nears completion, the focus of construction will move to the western section located closer to Moore Street. The western half of the open space will feature a large open area to cater for events, and a terrace with provisions for outdoor broadcasts.

Upcoming construction activities

The following works will take place over August and September:

- Completion of demolition of the roadway and footpath
- Installation of bluestone footpaths
- Utility installation works for the eastern section including drainage, electrical, lighting, and data and communication conduits
- Completion of bike lanes along both sides of Southbank Boulevard between Fawkner Street and City Road.

COVID-19 Restrictions

With the introduction of COVID-19 Stage 4 restrictions, adjustments have been made to limit the number of contractors and to create greater separation between the trades working on site. Personal hygiene measures are also in place and equipment on site is regularly cleaned.

These changes may have an impact on the speed at which works progress however the health and safety of our workers remains our first priority as we continue to deliver projects around the city.



Civic Space under construction

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