

# TRANSFORMING SOUTHBANK BOULEVARD

## Construction update

### December 2020

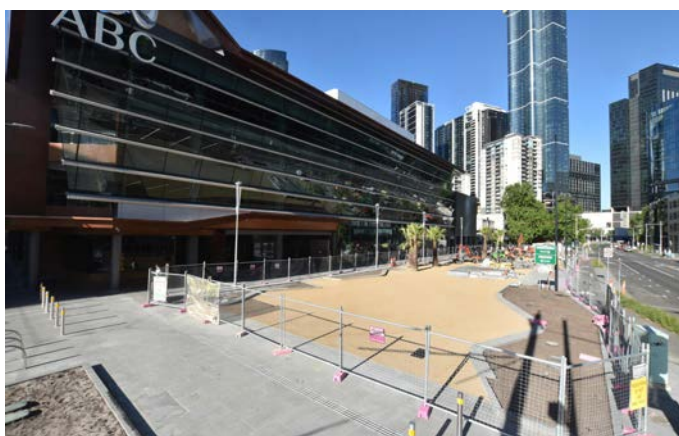
Considerable progress has been made on the Civic Space for Southbank Boulevard with the eastern end of the site (near Sturt Street) nearing completion. Bike lane and footpath works outside of 55 Southbank Boulevard have also been completed, and the area has been reopened.

### Completed works

The new Civic Space is at the heart of the Transforming Southbank Boulevard project. The eastern section nearing completion includes the following new features:

- Granitic sand area
- A stone terrace in the centre of the Civic Space
- Provision of power and communications within the open space to cater for events and broadcasts
- New garden beds including curved edging
- Six of nine mature palm trees planted
- New bike hoops and safety bollards
- Bluestone footpath and new light poles in front of the ABC Centre.

Bike lane, footpath and electrical works have also been completed in front of 55 Southbank Boulevard. The bike lane in this section now fills the gap in the connection between the Capital City Trail, Linlithgow Avenue and Southbank Promenade.



The granitic sand area for the Civic Space has been completed

### 2021 program

#### Civic Space

- The last day of construction for 2020 will be Monday 21 December, with works scheduled to recommence in early January 2021.
- Work will continue on the western side of the Civic Space towards Moore Street in 2021 which will include completion of the lawn area and western terrace, bluestone paving and installation of picnic tables, benches and BBQs.
- The remaining three palm trees and 40 additional trees will be planted in March, along with garden bed planting.
- Despite challenges presented by COVID-19 restrictions this year, the Civic Space is still on track to be finished and open to the community by March 2021.

#### Neighbourhood parks

- The fourth stage of the project is made up of two open space areas between Moore Street and Kavanagh Street and between Fawkner Street and City Road and will commence in the new year. The two spaces combined will create 2,730m<sup>2</sup> of new open space. More information will be made available once this program is finalised.



Mature palm trees planted as works continue

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