

TRANSFORMING SOUTHBANK BOULEVARD

Construction Bulletin

December 2019

The Transforming Southbank Boulevard project will reach a major milestone this month with the completion of stage 1.

This stage includes:

- roadway realignment
- reconstruction of five intersections
- construction of a new tram super stop and green tram track
- significant bluestone footpath improvements
- tree planting between St Kilda Road and City Road.

Stone installation to the front of the Melbourne Recital Centre and Southbank Theatre will also continue this month.

Current works

City Road Intersection

A considerable amount of work is being carried out in December, including the installation of major signal infrastructure and laying of asphalt between Kavanagh Street and City Road. The northern side of Southbank Boulevard between Fawkner Street and City Road will remain to be finished following the completion of an adjacent building development.

Day and night works are required for this final stage. Some works are only permitted to be carried out at night to minimise traffic disruptions on City Road. We are mindful of the impact of these works on the community and wherever possible the noisiest works will be undertaken prior to midnight each night. A full list of night works is available on the other side of this bulletin.

While the City of Melbourne's preference was that these works be completed during the day, road closures have not been granted by the Department of Transport.

Sturt Street to City Road

The finishing touches are being added to this section of Southbank Boulevard. Works include the completion of bike lane construction, commissioning of street lighting, kerb and channel construction and road re-asphalting. This work will be completed by the end of December.

Arts Gateway Open Space

Construction of the open space area at the front of the Melbourne Recital Centre and Southbank Theatre is progressing. Due to a delay with supply of materials to the project, this section will now be completed in March 2020 instead of December 2019 as originally planned.

The park will be progressively opened as the areas closest to Sturt Street and Dodds Street at either end of the park are completed. Stone installation, tree and ground level planting in the centre of the site will continue in 2020. Site fencing will be repositioned to a smaller area in order to maximise use of this new open space over the summer. We apologise for any inconvenience.

ABC Open Space

Construction is expected to commence early 2020 on the largest Southbank Boulevard public open space area. This space will include hardstand and lawn areas, along with plenty of seating, planting, and trees. We will provide details of timeframes for construction works early in the new year.

Detours

Detours will continue to be in place around the worksite. Please be aware of changing conditions for pedestrians and vehicles as construction takes place in the area.

Bike lanes are now partially open along Southbank Boulevard, however cyclists are asked to dismount when travelling on footpaths within areas which do not have fully completed bike lanes.

Other Site Updates

You will receive further notification in coming weeks about the reopening of the roadway and City Road intersection.

The last day of construction on site will be Friday 20 December, with works to resume again from the middle of January.

December night works

9 to 12 December 2019 - 8pm to 5am

Activity: City Road asphalt works



Noise level - High:

- road re-sheeting
- construction machinery
- reverse beepers



Other impacts

- traffic disruptions
- detours in place for local traffic and pedestrians between Power Street and Southgate Avenue.

15 to 17 December 2019 - 8pm to midnight

Activity: Traffic sensor installation works



Noise level - Very high:

- saw-cutting for traffic sensor installation



Other impacts

- traffic disruptions
- detours in place for local traffic and pedestrians.

15 to 17 December 2019 - midnight to 5am

Activity: Line-marking



Noise level - Medium:

- truck movements
- reverse beepers



Other impacts

- traffic disruption
- detours in place for local traffic and pedestrians.

18 to 19 December 2019 - 8pm to 5am

Activity: Line-marking



Noise level - Medium:

- truck movements
- reverse beepers



Other impacts

- traffic disruption
- detours in place for local traffic and pedestrians.

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