



## July 11, 2014 Business Meeting Summary

- The next West End business meeting will take place on Friday, August 1, at 8:30 a.m. at *Brasserie Ten Ten*, 1011 Walnut Street
- Downtown Boulder has created a quick reference site: [www.WestPearlUpdates.com](http://www.WestPearlUpdates.com).
- The city has a dedicated Web page with contacts and project updates at: [bouldercolorado.gov/bond-projects/downtown-commercial-district-improvements](http://bouldercolorado.gov/bond-projects/downtown-commercial-district-improvements)
- Current information about construction and traffic impacts in the City of Boulder is available online at [www.boulderconezones.net](http://www.boulderconezones.net).
- The city is also working on developing an email list to send out weekly construction updates. To be added to the email list, please contact Ashlee Herring at [herringa@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:herringa@bouldercolorado.gov).
- If you would like more two hour parking coupons (St Julien garage), please call Parking Services (303-413-7300).

### West Pearl Streetscape Improvements

- Brian Wiltshire, City contact.
- Final touches (brick & stone work + benches) outside of Salt and Past Jays have been delayed (waiting on fabrication of benches). For the time being, temporary patches have been placed over the sidewalks so that everything is back as it was. City is hoping the benches and finishing pieces will be ready for installation in three to four weeks.
- Construction is complete on the west side of 10<sup>th</sup> from the parking to the alley except for the installation of trees and bike racks.
- In the next two – three weeks, the area between 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> is being finished and then construction will cross to the south side to finish the amenity zone (which is basically from Centro to Classic Facets). The amenity zone does NOT go all the way up to the buildings but rather it extends 5 feet behind the curb and gutter.

- By the first week of August, construction is likely to be done all the way to 9<sup>th</sup>. From there, construction will start at the southwest corner of 9<sup>th</sup> and Pearl.
- In September, four stone monuments (wayfinding markers) will be installed:
  - Near Centro
  - Near Pasta Jays
  - 9<sup>th</sup> and Pearl
  - 8<sup>th</sup> and Pearl
- When the stone benches are ready to be installed, the temporary sidewalk concrete outside of Salt and Past Jay's will have to be torn up. The installation process will take a few days. Brian will work with the business owners to determine the least intrusive days of the week to complete this portion of the project.
- There was a delay in the production of the stone benches because the supplier was not willing to make them for the quoted price. Contractor must get new supplier to provide a sample and once it's approved, all of the benches can be fabricated.
- More bike racks are being installed (locations TBA) starting today and bike parking in front of Trident will be restored once the construction moves west.
- Construction teams are working 9 hour days (from 6 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) – the city is paying overtime for these extended work hours. Because of the weather (heat) and other factors (coordinating schedules of all the various sub-contractors, budgets, etc.), it is not likely that the days can be extended longer but it's something the city will consider.

### **Alley Management Plan**

- Kurt Matthews (City of Boulder Manager of Parking Services)
- After talking to Noah (Trident), Kurt is going to remove the two temporary loading zones closest to Trident due to lack of usage and high parking demand.
- If you notice a construction vehicle parked where it's not supposed to be, please don't hesitate to call Parking Services (303-413-7300) or talk to a parking officer.
- Please don't assume that the construction vehicles are with any one specific project. There are other private contractors working throughout the West End.
- Lights are being installed from the blue building to Centro today.

### **PearlWest at 1048 Pearl St. / 1023 Walnut St. (Daily Camera Building)**

- Dan Schuetz, Project Manager.

- Joel, Onsite Manager - If there are any special circumstances that you need to access the alley, please ask one of the flaggers to call Joel on his cell phone and he will work with you to accommodate your requests whenever possible.
- Demolition on the Pearl building is done. Hauling the concrete and asphalt will take all of next week.
- Night work will start next week taking out the wall on Walnut side (between 11 p.m. – 7 a.m.) An interior crew will be hauling debris as they go.
- Next week, workers will start prepping the new pedestrian walkway in front of Brasserie Ten Ten and Amante Coffee.
- Once debris removal and Excel Energy work is done in the alley, it will open up for one way traffic going east. There will be times when it will have to be shut down as trucks are coming to and from site.
- Around July 21<sup>st</sup>, drilling will begin on the underground garage. The machine is 100 feet tall and will drill down 40+ feet starting in between Centro and blue building going clockwise. This is just the Pearl side of the building.
- Noise levels are not expected to be any louder than what they are now. The drilling will take place from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.

### **901 Pearl St. and 909 Walnut St.**

- Phil Shull, Deneuve Construction. Jim Fay, Project Manager.
- No new updates on 909 Walnut. Estimating about a month out before construction begins. Waiting on permits.
- 901 Pearl – pouring walls starting tomorrow.

### **Marketing Plan**

- Terri Takata-Smith (Downtown Boulder Business Improvement District) will be helping coordinate marketing efforts.
- Contact Terri with questions at [Terri@dbi.org](mailto:Terri@dbi.org) or 303-449-3774.
- 12 foot banner welcoming people to the West End is being installed this morning between the stoplight poles at 10<sup>th</sup> and Pearl.
- Keep using social media to post pictures of people enjoying the West End (patios, shopping, etc.)
- Wild West End Wednesdays will continue through the last week of August.

- On the homepage of BoulderDowntown.com and TheWestEndBoulder.com is a link to a live camera for people to watch the demolition and construction of PearlWest.