



## West End Projects FAQ's

**Q:** What projects are occurring on the West End of Downtown? When are they scheduled to begin?

**A:** Three private projects and one public are planned for this year.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Start Date*</b>
West Pearl Streetscape	700—1100 blocks of Pearl	Public/ Street and sidewalk enhancements	Feb 18, 2014
Pearl West	1048 Pearl/ 1023 Walnut (Old Camera Building)	Private/ Mixed use; restaurant, retail, theatre, offices	May 12, 2014
901 Pearl	901 Pearl	Private/ Mixed use; restaurant and residential	May 1, 2014
909 Walnut	909 Walnut	Private/ Mixed Use; retail and offices	June 1, 2014

\* Note, all start dates subject to change.

### Streetscape Projects

**Q:** What will the impacts be?

**A:** Sidewalks and parking will be periodically impacted and/or closed at times along Pearl Street and other areas of Downtown.

**Q:** Will Pearl Street close?

**A:** There are no plans to close Pearl Street, but traffic will be reduced to one lane at times. Lane closures will be permitted from 9:00 am—4:00pm. Flaggers will be in place directing traffic during lane closures.

**Q:** How are we going to minimize impact from this work?

**A:** Pearl Street work will be completed one block at a time.

**A:** Business access will be maintained at all times. Contractors will coordinate any sidewalk work in front of businesses with the business owner or manager.

**Q:** What about holidays and other heavy traffic times?

**A:** No work will be permitted on any working day before or after all major holidays, CU graduations, and CU football games.

**Q:** Why won't we postpone the West Pearl Streetscape project (sidewalk replacement) until private development is completed?



**A:** This is funded by capital bond project dollars, which must be spent not later than March, 2015. All three private development projects will extend well into 2015.

**Q:** Has the city of Boulder polled the West End business owners about whether or not they wanted these improvements?

**A:** The City of Boulder has held at least four stakeholder meetings in which businesses, commercial property owners, and residents were provided the opportunity to submit suggestions and input on the plans. Much of the stakeholders' feedback has been incorporated into the West End Streetscape Improvements.

### All West End Projects

**Q:** Do we have assurances that the north and south sidewalks in the 1000 block of Pearl will not be closed at the same time?

**A:** The West Pearl Streetscape work will be completed in this block prior to the start of the Pearl West project. Therefore there will be no conflicts. Additionally, the City of Boulder will not allow simultaneous closures of both sides of the 1000 block.

**Q:** How is the City supporting stakeholders during construction?

**A:** The city and DBI will work together to promote downtown/West End businesses via parking promotions, social media, Channel 8, and news pitches to local media; encouraging customers to continue to visit businesses that may be affected by construction. The city will proactively communicate all construction and traffic impacts so that businesses and customers know how to prepare and respond.

**Q:** Where can I access the latest project information and find out who to contact with questions or concerns?

**A:** For more information on Downtown Projects, please visit [www.westpearlupdates.com](http://www.westpearlupdates.com). Current information on construction and impacts in the City of Boulder can be found on our Cone Zones page, <https://bouldercolorado.gov/public-works/cone-zones>. More specific questions and concerns can be directed to Ashlee Herring, Communications and Events Coordinator 303-413-7315 or [herringa@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:herringa@bouldercolorado.gov).