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Dear Downtown Neighbor,

The renovation of our community's much-loved Bradwell Park is underway. While we are very excited to bring Downtown Hinesville a newly renovated gathering space complete with a performance stage, splash pad, outdoor seating and more, our focus at present is to limit the amount of disruptions to your business.

Last month, we provided you with a detailed six-week construction timeline; and in keeping with our commitment to communicate with you, we'd like to provide you, our downtown business neighbors, with an update.

Below, you'll find a newly revised construction schedule, which builds upon the first schedule that we provided you in June. The below schedule is current and provides greater detail about the demolition and replacement of the sidewalk along Commerce St., directly adjacent to businesses between E. M. L. King, Jr. Dr. and Midway St., as well as the demolition of Commerce St. itself. This schedule is weather-dependent and may need to be adjusted, if unforeseen obstacles are encountered.

Aug. 2-17: Demolition of Commerce St. and Sidewalk and Replacement of Sidewalk. On Monday, Aug. 2, crews will begin work to dig up the current 4-foot sidewalk and replace it with a brand-new, visually appealing 17-foot sidewalk with inlaid brick pavers. While crews are working on the sidewalk, they will also work on the demolition of Commerce St. On the morning of Aug. 2, the fencing surrounding construction activities will be moved to 20-25' in front of the businesses along Commerce St. This will protect crews and visitors alike from the demolition activities within the roadway and along the sidewalk. Depending on weather, we expect demolition to last four days, Aug. 2-5. Following demolition, crews will begin forming and pouring concrete for the sidewalk. We expect this work to begin the morning of Friday, Aug. 6. Brick trenches will be filled with sand or gravel to accommodate limited foot traffic as the sidewalk concrete cures. Weather pending, we expect front door access and pedestrian traffic to resume on Tuesday, Aug. 17. Within 1-2 months from this date, crews will need to revisit the sidewalk to fully set the brick pavers.

During the roughly two-week period of Aug. 2-17, businesses along Commerce St. will need to use an alternate or back door entrance as front door access will be unavailable. Crews will be working directly up to business fronts and the newly poured sidewalk will need time to cure and harden before pedestrian and front door access can resume. The only temporary front door entry allowed will be at the stairway to the second floor of the Commerce Street Holdings building. This temporary entry will not be available during the actual concrete pour. Crews will make every effort to complete the demolition and replacement of the sidewalk as quickly and efficiently as possible, limiting the disruption to our business neighbors.

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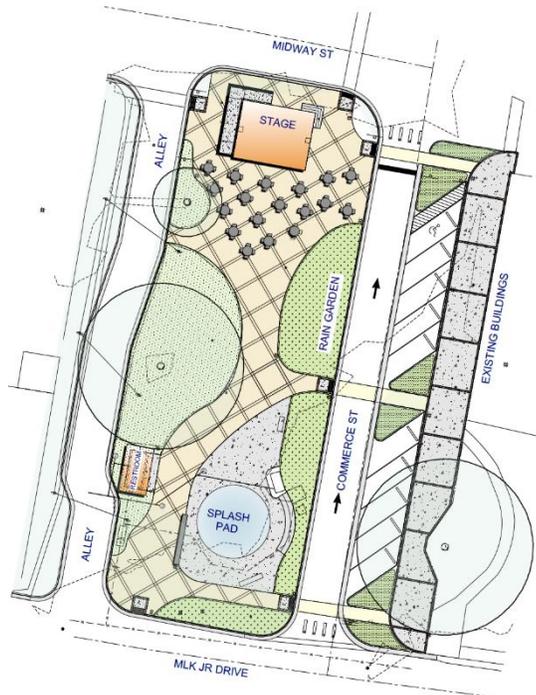
Aug. 18-27: Construction of the Performance Stage and Public Restroom Facility Begins. On Wednesday, Aug. 18, crews will shift focus to the performance stage and public restroom facility within the park. Crews will mobilize and begin work on these facilities, while also installing new utilities, within the park's footprint.

Throughout the renovation of Bradwell Park, we will provide you with routine updates. In the meantime, if you have specific questions regarding construction or your business's operation, please feel free to reach out to the City's engineer, Paul Simonton with Simonton Engineering, at [paul@simontoneng.com](mailto:paul@simontoneng.com).

Thank you for your patience as we work to renovate Bradwell Park. We are sure that this much-needed project will ultimately result in more visitors to our downtown area and to your business.

Sincerely,

The City of Hinesville and the Hinesville Downtown Development Authority



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