



January 5, 2016

Hotel Indigo  
220 South Union Street  
Progress Update

Dear Neighbors,

Happy New Year!

During the month of December excavation of the site was substantially completed, a stone pad was placed across the majority of the building subgrade, installation of the underground electrical ductbank was completed, and a covered pedestrian walkway was constructed in order to re-open the South Union Street sidewalk. As these activities progressed, archaeological monitoring continued and yielded the discovery of a large 18<sup>th</sup> century privy that may correspond with the 1755 Carlyle Public Warehouse previously excavated. In addition, remnants of a ship apparently scuttled in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century, which Alexandria Archaeology describes as the partial “hull of a fifty-foot vessel”, were also exposed as the building excavation approached subgrade. Both features were significant discoveries and necessitated substantial field work and research. Following the remaining 3D laser scanning, photographs and measurements of the ship this week, the field work will culminate with the dismantling and relocation of the ship’s wooden members to a wet environment to allow for future study and possible conservation by the City.

As construction continues, equipment was mobilized today for installation of the auger (drilled) cast piles (also known as auger pressure grouted piles). A test pile for this foundation system will be drilled and grouted on Thursday, 1/7/16, ahead of the start to the permanent installation late next week. As noted, this installation consists of drilling through the soil (no driving), after which grout is pumped into the cavity as the drill is slowly removed, culminating with the installation of steel reinforcing (rebar) in the pile location. This foundation work is expected to span a three (3) to four (4) week duration.

In consideration of the upcoming work, below is an anticipated timeline for the next couple of weeks. The timeline is approximate based on weather and production.

January 6<sup>th</sup> – January 8<sup>th</sup>:

- Continue archaeological field work at the 18<sup>th</sup> Century privy and scuttled ship.
- Drill and place the test pile for the auger cast pile (ACP) work.
- Begin final preparation of the site for ACP’s in coordination with the completion of archaeology.
- Begin painting the covered walkway at South Union St.

January 11<sup>th</sup> – January 15<sup>th</sup>:

- Complete archaeological field work.
- Inspect and analyze the test pile.
- Begin installation of permanent auger cast piles (approximately 7 to 10 concrete trucks daily).
- Potential start of ductbank cable energizing & partial removal of overhead electric by the power company.

Periodic updates and “look ahead schedules” will continue to be provided, and additional information and resources are available on the City’s website. Please forward this email to any neighbors not on this list and encourage them to send their email addresses to [info@carrcc.com](mailto:info@carrcc.com) in order to be included in future emails. If you do not wish to be included in future emails, please reply to this email with “UNSUBSCRIBE” and we will remove you from the list.

Sincerely,

The Carr City Centers Team

P.S. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us at [info@carrcc.com](mailto:info@carrcc.com).