



# STATE OF TEXAS CAPITOL COMPLEX PROJECT PHASE II



## TRAFFIC ALERT

Traffic and construction updates for the Capitol Complex Project | **June 14, 2023**

### **Capitol Complex Phase II Begins. New Traffic Pattern on 15th Street and Lavaca Street.**



*New lane closure on 15th Street between Colorado and Lavaca Streets for project equipment and deliveries loading zone.*

Starting later this week, our contractors will begin installing construction barriers along the perimeter of the Lavaca worksite. Construction barriers will be placed at the curb along Lavaca Street from 15th to 16th Street. This will close the sidewalk adjacent to the worksite. (The bike and bus lanes will remain open.)

Construction barriers will be installed on the north perimeter of the worksite, along 16th Street from Lavaca to Colorado Street. This will close the sidewalk adjacent to the worksite. Use the sidewalk along State Garage E to travel between Lavaca and Colorado Street.

Construction barriers will also be placed along the east perimeter of the worksite, along Colorado Street between 15th and 16 Streets. This will close the sidewalk adjacent to the worksite. Use the sidewalks along the William P. Clements building on Lavaca or the Robert E. Johnson building on Congress instead.

On Saturday, June 17, 2023, concrete construction barriers will be installed on 15th Street, closing the northern lane of westbound traffic between Colorado and Lavaca Street to vehicle traffic. 15th Street will be reduced to two lanes westbound between Colorado and Lavaca.

**IMPORTANT:** The closed lane of traffic will be the primary construction entrance to the Lavaca work site. Please watch out for large construction equipment entering this lane at Colorado and exiting at the intersection of 15th and Lavaca.



*Site preparation on 1501 Lavaca.*

## June Construction Progress Report

Site preparations continue for both the Lavaca and Congress worksites. Once the construction barriers are in place, more heavy equipment will be brought to the site for the excavation process on the Lavaca site. Excavation will continue throughout the summer and is expected to be completed in the Fall.

The Congress site is being used as a staging site and will soon follow a similar workplan as the Lavaca site. Construction barriers will be installed later this summer, and the construction loading zone will be extended along 15th Street to Congress Avenue.

The Texas Facilities Commission is proud to share these exciting project milestones with you. Please share this newsletter with others who may be interested in the progress of Phase II of the Capitol Complex. We invite you to watch our progress on the live construction cameras on our website:

[Click here to view the Construction Cameras](#)

# Questions?

Please send us your questions on Phase II or feedback on the new Texas Capitol Mall

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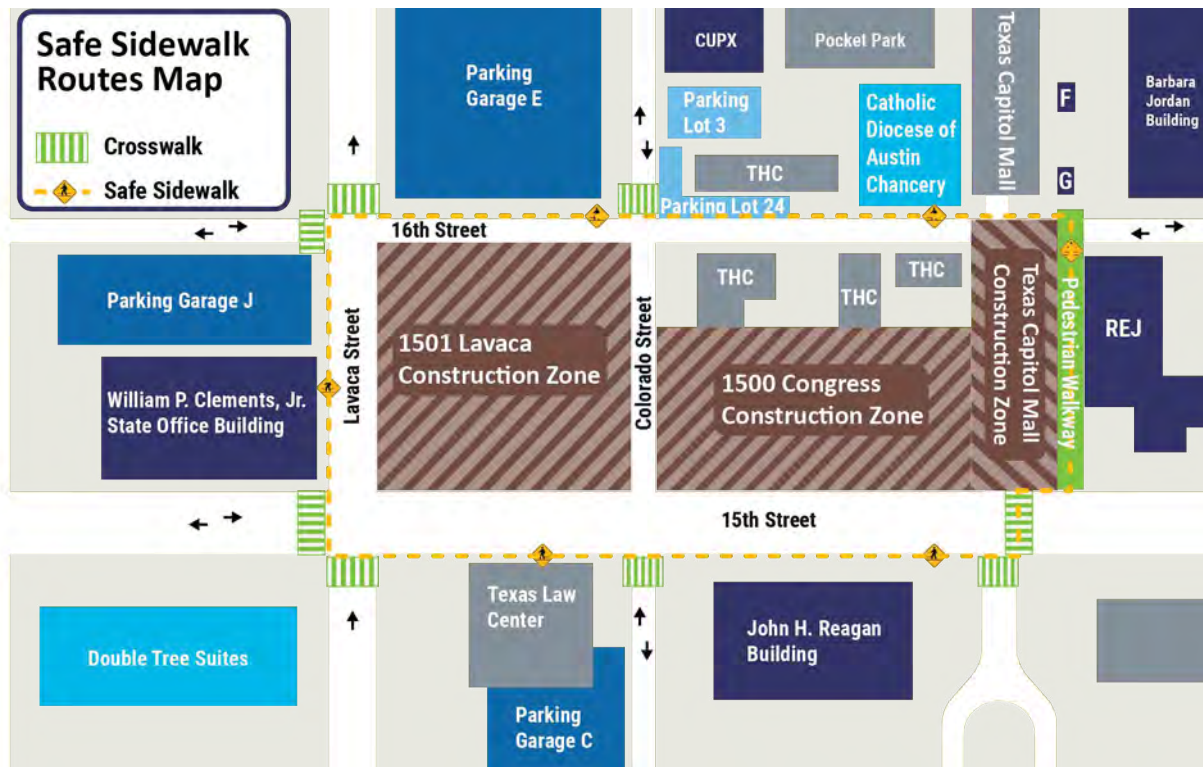


*Garage T State employee entrance ramp on 17th Street.*

## **Some Streets will remain closed.**

**16th Street**, both east and west lanes, will remain closed at Congress Avenue.

**17th Street** at Congress Avenue is the main entrance to State Garage T, the new Texas Capitol Mall parking garage for State employees. Access to this garage is restricted to State Employees and requires badge access, thus eliminating through traffic on 17th Street across Congress Avenue.



## Pedestrian Update

### Closed Sidewalks

- **CLOSED:** Colorado between 15th & 16th Street (Both: West & East) – Use the sidewalks on Lavaca or Congress to travel north or south.
- **CLOSED:** Congress between 15th & 16th street (West) – Use the sidewalk along the Robert E. Johnson (REJ) building.
- **CLOSED:** 15th Street between Lavaca & Congress (north) – Use the sidewalk on the Capitol side of the street.
- **CLOSED:** Lavaca between 15th & 16th Streets (East)– Use the sidewalk along the William P. Clements (WPC) building.

### Closed Crosswalks

- **CLOSED:** Colorado & 15th Street (Both: West & East)
- **CLOSED:** Lavaca & 15th Street (East)

## Safe Crosswalks

To cross 15th Street at:

- **Congress** – Use the eastern crosswalks closest to the REJ Building.
- **Lavaca** – Use the southern crosswalk closest to the Double Tree Hotel.
- **15th Street** – Use the western crosswalk closest to the Double Tree Hotel.

**Watch out for construction vehicles – and watch your step! There is uneven pavement and detours in this area.**

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## Visitor Parking

Public street parking is available on a first come first served basis at parking meters. There are also several public pay parking garages in the area. Click the button below to view a list of nearby parking options:

[Capitol Complex Public Parking](#)

State Agencies hosting events that require parking can coordinate parking passes through their parking coordinators and the Texas Facilities Commission.

For information on events or after hour parking please visit [Commercial Parking and Special Events \(texas.gov\)](#)

## Reminders

**Construction zone on 15th Street between Congress Avenue and Lavaca Street.**

The construction loading zone will occupy the northern lane of 15th Street. Watch out for construction vehicles entering and exiting from this lane. **PLEASE - Respect the flaggers.**

Follow us on Twitter for specific details on street closures. [@TFCtx](#)

### **SAFETY ALERT:**

***Drive defensively and slow down on 15th Street***

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