

# COPLEY SQUARE PARK CONSTRUCTION UPDATE JANUARY, 2025

Thank you for your patience and continued interest in this project.

Copley Square Park is an important cultural center of our city, and we understand that having the park closed for the duration of construction is difficult for many. We appreciate your patience during our renovation.

We will open the Plaza and Raised Grove in Feb 2025. Fountain, lawn areas, and street sidewalks shall be completed after the Marathon in 2025.

### CONSTRUCTION SINCE DECEMBER:

- The fountain: Contractor will be constructing a tent to proceed with work during cold temperatures.
- Sidewalk work has been paused until temperatures warm up. The west half of Boylston will be completed in April 2025.
- Installation of the pavers throughout the plaza and Raised Grove has been completed.
- We had some minor issues with custom benches; the manufacturer has come to the site and made some minor adjustments, and we will be reviewing these shortly.
- The contractor is aiming to install pervious pavers between Boylston Street and Raised Grove, but excavation is difficult with cold temperatures. They've been covering and heating this area of the park.

Work to anticipate in the coming weeks:

- Installing the approved furnishings around the Raised Grove including benches, lean rails and handrails.
- The exterior of the fountain will continue to receive attention, within the tent structure.

# SITE PHOTO, 1/24/2025



From the roof of the library, you can see the pavement is now complete in the plaza and Raised Grove.

# SITE PHOTO, 1/9/2025



Lean rail sections were manufactured 1/8" longer than called for. If it were a short stretch of rail, this wouldn't matter much, but over 40' this difference adds up.

## SITE PHOTO, 1/9/2025



In order to excavate down and install gravel below the pervious paver area, the contractor has covered this with tarp and is heating it.

### TRINITY:

Trinity Church is a helpful neighbor during this challenging project, and they are attending our weekly site meetings, for the most up-to-date information regarding construction and schedules. The church is "open for business" during this project.

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### **OTHER ITEMS:**

Please use 311 to document non-emergency issues relating to park use, and 911 for emergency situations relating to public safety.

Construction questions and concerns can be directed to B Chatfield, Project Manager (<a href="mailto:abigail.chatfield@boston.gov">abigail.chatfield@boston.gov</a>)

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