

WILLIAMSBURG PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX

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Project Update

Greetings from the Public Safety Complex Building Committee. Here is the latest update on progress and the schedule ahead. Since the roof was completed and exterior walls were sealed, the subcontractors have been continuously working on rough electrical wiring, plumbing, and pipe fitting for the building-wide fire sprinkler system. The all-electrical HVAC system is now being installed which includes above-ceiling fresh air ductwork and fan coil units that have both heating and cooling capabilities. After the above-ceiling work is complete, the contractor will proceed with air barriers and insulation to further seal the building.



Progress on the exterior has come a long way as well. The shingled roof is complete, and all the building trim work has been installed. The white siding is expected to be completed during April. Support boards are in place for signs with the complex name on the front. Now that the weather is warming, site development work will resume, starting with finish grading, parking lot paving, and completion of the stormwater rain gardens. Final landscaping will occur in the Fall of this year.

Our intent in design has been to build a climate and energy-resilient safety complex, including minimal use of fossil fuels. However, budget limitations required some reluctant decisions, such as using propane instead of electricity to heat the water that will circulate under the floor in the bays. While the use of fossil fuels was unavoidable in this situation, the temperature in the bays will be set to about 50 degrees which will require minimal propane use. Additionally, the MVP grant is allowing us to save energy in several other ways, through added insulation, airtight sealing of the building envelope, and

solar power. Negotiations are ongoing with Power Options and Solect Energy for a contract to design and install the solar system.

Overall, the project is progressing well. The unseasonable mild winter allowed the contractor to advance the exterior of the building quickly, and because of the team's quick work from the start, we have not experienced any significant issues with material shortages or excessive lead times. The project continues to be on schedule and under budget.

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Should you have any questions or comments for the Committee, please feel free to reach out to Nicholas Caccamo, Town Administrator at townadmin@burgy.org or by calling 413.268.8418

All documents relating to the project are available on the Town webpage: <https://www.burgy.org/public-safety-complex-building-committee-pscbc>