

## Memo

To: Watertown Common Council

From: Alex Allon, Strategic Initiatives and Development Coordinator

**Date:** August 16, 2022 **Re:** Town Square Update

Council Members,

In the two weeks since the last Council Meeting, work on the Town Square has tracked as follows:

- Concrete foundations for the Main Street overlook were completed and foundation work for the River wall and landscaping stones began.
- AT&T relocated two poles so that work along Water Street and the library could continue.
- Pre-cast seating installation began for the performance plaza area.
- Concrete sidewalks along Main Street were installed and concrete curb and gutter was installed on Water Street.
- Steel posts for the shade structure were installed.
- Landscaping plant list from contractors has been sent in to the engineers for review.

Over the next two weeks, we anticipate:

- Masonry seat bench installation will continue.
- Electrical rough-ins will continue.
- Steel guard rails on Main Street will be measured on site and put into production.
- Site furnishings will be ordered, including tables, benches and trash receptacles.
- Steel for the shade structure will continue to be installed and painted on site.

The project schedule is still tracking slightly behind due to AT&T relocation delays. Most heavy landscaping materials are on site and our project manager anticipates that we will begin to catch up on schedule once these materials begin their installation processes.

As part of the Bentzin Family's donation to construct the Town Square, they also sponsored a Historical Art Installation on site near the river. The bids for a design/build of the installation close today (8/16). A contractor will be selected and the design process for the installation will continue. Attached is an initial concept rendering of the installation.

I look forward to answering any questions and providing additional updates at the next meeting.

In service,

Alex Allon

Executive Director, Redevelopment Authority







