

Bunker Hill Housing Redevelopment

Phase 1 Construction Q&A

Site preparation work for the first phase has begun and will last approximately 6 weeks and we anticipate that the vacant buildings will start to come down in March. Detailed Construction Management Plans (CMPs) will be produced, reviewed, and accepted by city authorities prior to the start of construction.

1. What area will be affected by Phase 1 construction?

New buildings F & M will be the first to be constructed. Three buildings between Tufts and Corey Streets and three buildings behind the Kennedy Center will be demolished to make way for those buildings. All residents impacted by Phase 1 demolition have been temporarily relocated. The buildings are currently vacant and secured.

2. What safety measures will be taken during construction?

Safety of Bunker Hill residents, abutters, and the surrounding community is the highest priority. The areas around both buildings will have full perimeter fencing, controlled gates, and video surveillance to prevent unauthorized access to the construction areas. Sidewalks adjacent to construction areas will be protected or rerouted with clear advance notice to neighbors and signage for pedestrians. Security details and other precautions will be implemented as needed to ensure pedestrian safety.

3. How will construction vehicles impact neighborhood traffic?

To mitigate traffic volume, construction workers will be required to take public transit or park at an offsite location where shuttles will be provided to the site. Phase specific construction traffic plans will be produced and submitted for approval by the Boston Transportation Department. Trucking will be restricted to accepted routes.

4. Will there be excessive noise & vibration during construction?

We do not expect excessive noise and vibration during construction. Because construction of the new buildings is component based, the duration of construction noise will be significantly reduced from traditional construction methods. Demolition of the existing buildings will be the most noticeable activity. Each building will take 3-4 weeks to dismantle.

5. Should I be concerned about hazardous material removal & air quality?

Prior to demolition, each building will be sealed and abated by licensed professionals. During demolition, effective demolition methods to reduce dust as well as on-site dust mitigation measures will be utilized to reduce dust impacts off-site. Air filter installations will be deployed selectively at abutting properties as required.

6. How will rodent problems be handled?

Site specific rodent control plans will be developed and deployed for each building phase prior to demolition and throughout the duration of the project. Rodent management work has already begun for the buildings in the first phase.

