

June 2015

Dear Neighbor,

As you may be aware, The Park Danforth has been preparing to expand its not-for-profit mission by expanding its housing programs for seniors. Recently, the good people at Goodwill of Northern New England relocated their retail store to vacate the store located at 1104 Forest Avenue. With the property vacated, and the plans fully approved by the City, you will begin to see some activity on the site, marking the beginning of The Park Danforth's next chapter!

In the coming days and weeks you will see construction fencing installed around the perimeter of our property. This will encompass the entire construction area, including what some may now consider to be parking along the east side of Arbor Street, closest to what was the Goodwill drop off kiosk. Part of our plan is to make improvements along Arbor Street, one of which will be to install a proper sidewalk where people now seem to park.

The vacated Goodwill parking areas will also become part of the construction site. For this reason, the fence will serve not only to define the site, but will also prevent people from parking in what is now a parking lot.

Once the site is secured, demolition will begin sometime in June 2015. What we have known as the Goodwill building, its drop off kiosk (outbuilding) and the single family home at 24 Arbor Street will all be demolished to make way. The single family home located on the corner of Arbor and Stevens (789 Stevens Avenue) will be used for as long as possible as a construction office, but will also eventually be demolished (June 2016).

Our Construction Management Company is PC Construction, with a main office right here in Portland. Key contacts for PC Construction are

1. Superintendent - Kemp Carey (c. 207-233-6806)
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Work will be conducted between 8am and 6pm, Monday through Friday.

Occasionally, there may be some work conducted on Saturdays, if conditions require it.

While PC Construction will be in charge of and responsible for the entire construction project, we are pleased to advise you that Dearborn Brothers Construction has been selected to conduct the demolition work activities in the coming weeks.

At all times during the demolition process, road access will be maintained to allow both emergency vehicles and local traffic to flow. Dearborn Brothers Construction will take steps to control dust during demolition. You will see them spraying water on the buildings as the machinery tears them down. Water will be used as the debris is loaded into trucks before it is taken away for disposal.

Please note too that any hazardous materials found in any of the buildings or anywhere on site will be properly disposed of in accordance with all applicable regulations and requirements prior to the full demolition of the buildings.

The Park Danforth is committed to being the same good neighbor during demolition and construction as you have come to know us to be. Still, we would be naïve to think that there might not be some aggravation or imposition on our neighbors during the process.

If you find that our work creates a problem for you, or if you simply want to learn about “what’s next” please don’t hesitate to contact me or any members of the PC Construction Team listed on the first page. We are eager to make sure that, while this is big project, we have as little an impact on you as possible during its construction and development.

Sincerely

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