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CONSTRUCTION ALERT

Main Library Renovation

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

The south side of University Avenue sidewalk will be closed west of Newcomb Road from October 9th through October 13th. Work will start on October 5th however, sidewalk and crosswalk access will remain through the weekend including the football game on Saturday the 7th. Pedestrians will be directed to use crosswalks at Rugby Road and Culbreth Road to avoid the closure. Newcomb Road and University Avenue traffic will not be impacted.

REASON FOR CLOSURE:

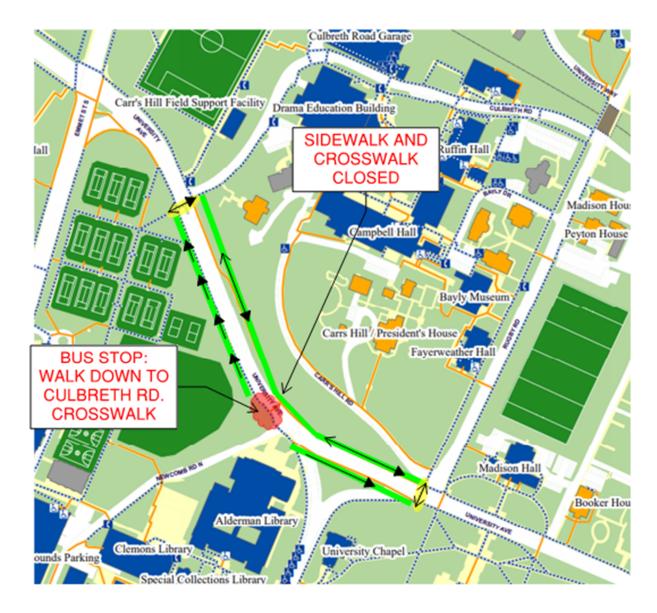
Installation of sidewalk, curb cut and crosswalk lights at intersection of University Avenue and Newcomb Road.

PROJECT BACKGROUND: The Library has never had a major renovation since it opened in 1938. The Main Library Renovation Project will renovate the historic building including reading rooms, and staff areas. It has demolished the existing stacks and built new stacks on the same footprint. The building will be brought up to modern standards of safety and service. The project will create a major new entrance on the University Avenue side of the building. The project will be fully complete in late 2023, and open to the public in 2024.

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MAPS OF AFFECTED AREAS:



SIGNS WILL BE POSTED AT THE CROSSWALKS AT UNIVERSITY AVENUE AND CULBRETH ROAD AND AT THE BUS STOP SO THAT PEDESTRIANS CAN PLAN SAFE ROUTES AROUND THE SIDEWALK CLOSURE.

NEWCOMB ROAD AND UNIVERSITY AVENUE REMAIN OPEN AT ALL TIMES.