Update on Major Projects
May 2024

347 Prospect Street – Structural Upgrades and Exterior Repair – This Queen Anne Victorian house was purchased by the University in 2021. The property has been vacant for several years and needed structural repairs as well as repairs to the exterior of the building. This project design was completed to meet the State Historical Preservation Office guidelines. The construction of this project was completed in February 2024. Once a user of the space is determined then the interior renovation can be designed and completed.

Sports Center Pool and Structural Repair Project – This project will update the pool equipment in the building and repair the structural beam that supports the area under the southeast exit stair from the gym that goes down to grade. The AE firm has been selected and once DAS completes the contract with the AE Firm, we start the design process for the project. The design will take about six months, and we hope to start the work thereafter with the structural repairs. We will coordinate with Athletics on a schedule to install the new pool equipment.

Burr Hall Sewage & Water Main Replacement – This project will replace the old sewage line and water line that runs into the building. The project was just awarded G. Donovan Construction and they are starting work. The construction work will be completed by the end of the summer for use in fall 2024.

Burr Hall Flooring Project – This project will be replacing carpet flooring in Burr Hall on the lower level, stairs, and levels two, three, and four with resilient flooring. The flooring to be installed is manufactured to help reduce the carbon footprint and it is also a recyclable material to help support Eastern’s sustainability goals. This project will start May 20th and will be finished by the end of the summer 2024.

Low Rise Flooring – The carpet in Low Rise apartments will be replaced with a new resilient flooring. The flooring to be installed is manufactured to help reduce the carbon footprint and it is also a recyclable material to help support Eastern’s sustainability goals. The contractor will start May 20th and will be finished by the end of the summer 2024.

Windham Street Crosswalk & Campus Entry – A new crosswalk is being added at the Prospect Street and Windham Street intersection in the spring. It will have the Eastern logo on the walkway and look like the campus entry located at High Street and Eastern Road. Work will start in the spring 2024 when weather permits and finish in June 2024.

Eastern Hall Demolition & Clock Tower Road Paving Project – Eastern Hall demolition is almost completed will leave a green area for students, faculty, and staff to enjoy. Eastern Hall was built as a temporary classroom and office building, and it has served its purpose. This project will include repaving Clock Tower Road from Eastern Hall to Windham Street. The project has been awarded and scheduled to be completed in July 2024.

Web Hall Fire Pump Replacement – This project will be done this summer and require the replacement of the old fire pump with a new fire pump. It will improve the buildings safety and allow many more years of service to Eastern.
Noble Hall Ground Flooring Project – All the remaining apartment carpet on the ground floor of Noble Hall will be replaced with a new resilient flooring. The flooring to be installed is manufactured to help reduce the carbon footprint and it is also a recyclable material to help support Eastern’s sustainability goals. This project will start May 20th and will be finished by the end of the summer 2024.

High-Rise HVAC Plant Project – This project will renovate the mechanical equipment room and update it with a new heating and cooling system. The project scope of work this summer will install all the piping needed to heat and cool the building. This will involve the use of a temporary chiller for the warm days of the fall semester, and if all goes well, the new heating system will be up and running before winter. By March 2025 the new chiller should be completed and provide cooling in the warm days of spring 2025.

Campus Sidewalks 2024 Project – A contractor has begun work at Windham Street/Prospect Street now prior to the start date of May 15th and will expand to various locations on campus to repair sidewalks and handrails.

Low Rise Common Area Furniture – New common area furniture for the Low Rise Apartment common areas will be installed this summer for students enjoy and use.

High Rise Bedroom Furniture – New High Rise apartment bedroom furniture is scheduled to be installed this summer for students to use and enjoy.

Building Power Washing – To improve some of the campus building exteriors, we will be power washing five buildings on campus this summer. This will improve the brick and precast concrete exteriors on the five selected buildings.