



BANNOCK ST. PUBLIC SPACE // EVENT FAQs

These FAQs address questions from event organizers about the re-design of Bannock Street between Colfax Ave and 14th Ave and future plans for development. This document will be updated as the projects evolves. Questions or comments? Contact the Office of Special Events at denverevents@denvergov.org.

Tree Planters:

Can the planters be moved?

- Yes, the City and County of Denver (CCD) has approved moving the planters when needed to support our event community.
- Please note, the City Forester advises that moving the planters will damage tree health and replacing damaged/dead trees is not a given in this new public space. We ask organizers to consider whether the planters can be incorporated into the event to mitigate how many times they need to be moved back and forth.

Who moves them?

- CCD is committed to moving the planters in 2021 when needed.

Where do they move to?/Do event organizers need to allow space for the trees on event site?

- The planters in the street would be moved up onto the sidewalk next to the planters on the sidewalks on both sides. If the event needed the sidewalk on the east side of Bannock, we would move all the planters to the west sidewalk. Our goal is to always leave the sidewalk on the west side open for ADA reasons so there shouldn't be an issue with moving them for most events. The Parade of lights may be the exception.

Cost to event organizers for moving trees?

- There is no cost to the event organizer to move the planters in 2021.
- The responsibility/cost of moving the planters after 2021 has not been determined yet.

Time needed to move the trees?/Needs to build into event production schedule .

- Moving tree planters and removing bollards will be scheduled after the Special Event Right-of-way Street Occupancy Permit (SERSOP) is approved. We recommend scheduling 4-6 weeks in advance.

Time needed to move the trees back?

- Trees will be moved before your occupancy and moved back after. Please request 60 days prior since you will also need an RSOP

Bollards:

Are they removable?

- Yes, all bollards can be removed and the base hole will be covered to create a flush surface on the street.

Who removes them?

- CCD will remove the bollards per request following an approved SERSOP.

Cost to event organizers to remove them?

- CCD will remove and replace the bollards free of charge for events.

Once removed can traffic enter from either direction for load-in?

- No, vehicular traffic can only enter from the 14th Street side. Please coordinate the access details and plan when you apply for the SERSOP.

Street Mural:

Are there any restrictions on the type of vendors that are allowed on the painted street?

- No, typical vendors are permitted.

Any weight restrictions?

- No, the street retains the same load rating.

Are events responsible for repainting heavy wear areas from foot traffic?

- Upon completion of the event, the permit holder must ensure that the space is free from any new damage, litter, event elements, etc. and must return the space to its original condition at a minimum.
- A \$500 non-compliance fee may be assessed for any violation of the Special Event Revocable Street Occupancy Permit per occurrence. Violations include damage to the bollards, tree planters, and the street mural.

How does the mural perform under different weather conditions?

- The mural can become slippery when wet.

Any restrictions or details when it comes to power washing?

- Power washing is allowed/encouraged and performed by CCD throughout the year. Any damage from power washing (overly aggressive soap or spray that damages the street mural) will be subject to the \$500 RSOP damage fee.

Does bike lane access need to be maintained during setup, event, or teardown once event has permit for street?

- Bike lanes and sidewalks can be rerouted, but you will need an approved traffic control plan and barricades to direct traffic to a detour route.

Are there any elements on the street that would affect temporary fence placement?

- All events that have not rented out the McNichols building and made previous arrangements with the McNichol's staff, **must allow access to the McNichols building and parking lot at all times**. The street leading to the McNichol's parking lot driveway will need to be accessible and not fenced in.

General:

Has power been added anywhere along the street? Will it get added at some point or in Phase 2?

- No power is available at this time. Unknown whether it will be added in Phase 2.

Can stages or other event elements be used on the street to allow for the City and County Building to serve as the backdrop?

- Stages and structures are still allowed; however, these elements should include protection to the street mural. Inadequate protection is subject to the \$500 fee if the street mural is not returned to its original condition at minimum.

Bannock Street Phase 2:

When is the proposed timing of Phase 2?

- The Phase 2 concept plan process is starting early 2021. If the project moves forward after this step, it will take several years to complete the full design and funding process before construction would begin. Phase 2 planning is set to start early 2021. Actual construction timeline is TBD but will likely take a few years.

The rendering showed the trees being planted into the street; is that still the proposed layout?

- No, these were early renderings and have no basis on the final design. These decisions would be decided during the concept and full design process.

How can event organizers provide input during the design process?

- The Office of Special Events is a key stakeholder in the Phase 2 planning and design process and will communicate the needs and desires of events during that process.
- Additionally, event organizers are encouraged to join the public meetings in 2021 and beyond to directly provide feedback during the planning and design processes.
- You can stay updated on the project at www.denvergov.org/theoutdoordowntown