

RED HAT AMPHITHEATER + CONVENTION DISTRICT

October 2026



COMMUNITY UPDATE

Hello neighbors!

Welcome to our October update. As the air turns crisp and the current Red Hat Amphitheater wraps up its final shows of the season, work at the future home continues to climb skyward. The building is getting its skin — roofing, waterproofing, and metal panels are going up. We remain committed to keeping you informed and protected throughout this exciting phase.

A LOOK BEHIND THE FENCES

There's a lot happening on site right now! Seating bowl concrete pours are ongoing as the venue's signature shape takes form, and roofing on the building is in progress overhead.

Inside, MEPF overhead work — the mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire protection systems that run above the ceilings — continues throughout the building. The masonry wall for the stage is wrapping up and will be complete this month.

On the exterior, waterproofing and metal panels started this month, giving the building its first finished surfaces, while installation of the gate's steel structure is ongoing.

WHAT'S COMING YOUR WAY

Here are some important upcoming considerations to help you plan:

- Completion of the McDowell Street storm, curb, and gutter work next week, which will involve crews and equipment along the roadway.
- Continued seating bowl concrete pours and deliveries during standard work hours.
- Ongoing roofing and overhead work as the building is enclosed.
- Exterior waterproofing and metal panel installation progressing around the building.
- Gate steel structure work continuing at the site perimeter.

*Rest assured there will be signage and access guidance in place.

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS MAY NOTICE

- Lane and access adjustments on McDowell Street as storm, curb, and gutter work wraps up.
- Increased noise from concrete pours, overhead work, and equipment during standard hours.
- Truck traffic on McDowell, Lenoir, and South Streets for material deliveries.
- Occasional dust and vibration from masonry and exterior work.

*We are sequencing work to maintain access to nearby businesses, residences, and activity while keeping the public safe.



SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

Did you know? With exterior work ramping up, scaffolding is a big part of keeping crews safe. Every scaffold is inspected and tagged by a competent person before each shift, fully planked with guardrails, and anchored to the structure. These checks keep workers secure at height and the public protected..

FUN FACT

That white plastic draped over the fresh concrete isn't just for cleanliness — it's helping the concrete cure. Keeping new concrete moist as it sets actually makes it stronger than letting it dry out quickly.

We're grateful for your flexibility as this project is moving forward. Every month brings visible changes and better foundations for the future of downtown. We hope you'll soon enjoy the finished space as much as future visitors will. Talk to you next month neighbors!

