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City will begin construction of the new Overlook Walk pedestrian bridge this month

SEATTLE (June 14, 2022) – Construction of the new Overlook Walk pedestrian bridge, connecting Pike Place Market to the waterfront, begins this week.

“This new, elevated park will provide plenty of public open space for taking in the gorgeous views of Elliott Bay that our locals know and love and, once complete, it’s sure to become one of the City’s most celebrated locations,” said Angela Brady, Director of the Waterfront Seattle Program. “Overlook Walk is a focal point for the overall waterfront improvements program and we are excited to share another major milestone towards the completion of a new and improved Waterfront for All.”

The new bridge over Alaskan Way will provide walking pathways with accessible and gradual slopes, a new elevator, and informal spaces for people to rest while they take in beautifully terraced landscaping with native plants and expansive views of Elliott Bay. There will be a new café, slides and other play elements for children, and amphitheater-type seating near the promenade will provide a space to enjoy concerts and other programming.

There are also two permanent artworks planned as part of this project, including an installation by [Ann Hamilton](#) featuring kinetic puppet-like figures, and art by the [MTK Matriarchs](#), three women representing both local tribes and Urban Natives, whose work is inspired by “the weavers and carvers who kept our traditions, teachings and technologies alive and have provided resiliency to our future generations.”

The City’s Office of the Waterfront and Civic Projects established a work zone directly west of Pike Place Market in 2019 to begin work on the new Alaskan Way. Overlook Walk will be constructed within this current work zone. The City is coordinating closely with the Pike Place Market and the Seattle Aquarium, as the new Overlook Walk project ties into their existing and new spaces, including the MarketFront (completed in 2017) and the new Ocean Pavilion building, currently under construction.

Hoffman Construction Company is the contractor for this project, and the construction cost, including foundation work, is approximately \$70M. Construction is anticipated to be complete by 2025.

We encourage people to sign up to [our construction emails](#), where we will communicate weekly impacts, and to learn more about the new Overlook Walk in [this video](#) or at waterfrontseattle.org.