Construction Update, August 29, 2016

Upcoming Work

Removal of the exterior brick facade on the western (Greene Street) side of the Coles building is scheduled to begin the week of August 29. Following brick removals on Greene Street, workers will continue brick removal work around the Coles building. This work is expected to continue through October.

Lifts may be used for workers to remove bricks located on the upper portions of the building facade. Debris will be collected within the building with chutes assembled around the exterior of the facade.

As with any active construction site, dust may be generated in the area immediately surrounding the work and noise may be generated by hand tools and mechanical equipment such as chipping guns, handheld jackhammers, and excavators.

Exterior abatement is scheduled to begin in mid-September and is expected to continue for approximately two months.

Ongoing Work

Interior demolition within the Coles building is underway and is expected to continue through October, site conditions permitting.

Installation of the construction fence continues, weather and site conditions permitting. As part of the fence installation the trees located around the perimeter of the Coles site will be removed. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct pedestrian traffic.

The fence installation is scheduled to continue as follows:

Houston Street – the week of August 29. Pedestrian traffic will be accommodated by a lane closure and jersey barriers on the northern side of Houston Street adjacent to the site for the duration of the project.

Bleecker Street—the week of August 29. A sidewalk bridge will be installed along the northern perimeter of the project site. Some parking spots on the southern portion of Bleecker Street will be inaccessible during the installation. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Bleecker Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Pedestrian traffic is anticipated to remain open on
the south side of Bleecker Street for the duration of the project.

Mercer Street – expected to commence in September. In order to facilitate the installation, Mercer Street between Bleecker Street and Houston Street will be intermittently closed to vehicular traffic during the fence installation, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct vehicular traffic. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Mercer Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored within the project site during the installation period. All parking spaces on the east and west sides of Mercer Street will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site for the duration of the project. The west side of Mercer Street along the project site will be inaccessible to pedestrians, but the east side of Mercer Street is scheduled to remain open for pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project.

**Construction Update, August 18, 2016**

**Upcoming Work**

Removal of the exterior brick facade on the western (Greene Street) side of the Coles building is scheduled to begin as early as Thursday, August 25. This work is expected to continue for approximately two weeks.

Following brick removals on Greene Street, workers will continue brick removal work on Bleecker and Houston Streets. Brick removal work will conclude on Mercer Street.

Lifts may be used for workers to remove bricks located on the upper portions of the building facade. Debris will be collected within the building with chutes assembled around the exterior of the facade.

As with any active construction site, dust may be generated in the area immediately surrounding the work and noise may be generated by hand tools and mechanical equipment such as chipping guns, handheld jackhammers, and excavators.

Exterior abatement is scheduled to begin the week of September 6 and is expected to continue for approximately two months.

**Ongoing Work**

Installation of the construction fence continues during the month of August, weather and site conditions permitting. As part of the fence installation the trees located around the perimeter of the Coles site will be removed. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct pedestrian traffic. The fence installation is scheduled to continue as follows:

**Bleecker Street—the weeks of August 15 and August 22**

- A sidewalk bridge will be installed along the northern perimeter of the project site. Some parking spots on the southern portion of Bleecker Street will be inaccessible during the installation.

- Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Bleecker Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks.
• Pedestrian traffic is anticipated to remain open on the south side of Bleecker Street for the duration of the project. In order to facilitate the installation, the cherry trees located on the northern perimeter of the project site will be pruned.

Houston Street – the weeks of August 15 and August 22

• Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Houston Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks.

• Pedestrian traffic will be accommodated by a lane closure and jersey barriers on the northern side of Houston Street adjacent to the site for the duration of the project.

• Some parking spaces on the north side of Houston Street (between Mercer and Greene Streets) will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site.

Mercer Street – the weeks of August 22 and August 29

• In order to facilitate the installation, Mercer Street between Bleecker Street and Houston Street will be intermittently closed to vehicular traffic during the fence installation, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

• Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct vehicular traffic.

• Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Mercer Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Mercer Street within the project site during the installation period.

• All parking spaces on the east and west sides of Mercer Street will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site for the duration of the project. The west side of Mercer Street along the project site will be inaccessible to pedestrians, but the east side of Mercer Street is scheduled to remain open for pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project.

• Interior demolition within the building is underway and is expected to continue through October, site conditions permitting.

**Construction Update, August 15, 2016**

Installation of the construction fence continues during the month of August, weather and site conditions permitting. As part of the fence installation the trees located around the perimeter of the Coles site will be removed. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct pedestrian traffic. The fence installation is scheduled to continue as follows:

Bleecker Street—the weeks of August 15 and August 22

• A sidewalk bridge will be installed along the northern perimeter of the project site. Some parking spots on the southern portion of Bleecker Street will be inaccessible during the installation. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Bleecker Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Pedestrian traffic is anticipated to remain open on the south side of Bleecker Street for the duration of the project. In order to facilitate the installation, the cherry trees located on the northern perimeter of the project site will be pruned.
Houston Street – the weeks of August 15 and August 22

- Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Houston Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Pedestrian traffic will be accommodated by a lane closure and jersey barriers on the northern side of Houston Street adjacent to the site for the duration of the project. Some parking spaces on the north side of Houston Street (between Mercer and Greene Streets) will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site.

Mercer Street – the weeks of August 22 and August 29

- In order to facilitate the installation, Mercer Street between Bleecker Street and Houston Street will be intermittently closed to vehicular traffic during the fence installation, Monday through Thursday from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct vehicular traffic. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Mercer Street and a boom truck may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Mercer Street within the project site during the installation period. All parking spaces on the east and west sides of Mercer Street will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site for the duration of the project. The west side of Mercer Street along the project site will be inaccessible to pedestrians, but the east side of Mercer Street is scheduled to remain open for pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project. Interior demolition within the Coles building is underway and is expected to continue for two months, site conditions permitting.

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Construction Update, August 9, 2016

Installation of the construction fence continues for the month of August, weather and site conditions permitting. Fence installation began at the southwestern corner of the 181 Mercer site and is scheduled to proceed clockwise until the site is enclosed. As part of the fence installation the trees located around the perimeter of the Coles site will be removed. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct pedestrian traffic.

The fence installation is scheduled to continue as follows, weather and site conditions permitting.

Bleecker Street—the week of August 8/week of August 15. A sidewalk bridge will be installed along the northern perimeter of the project site. Some parking spots on the southern portion of Bleecker Street will be inaccessible during the installation. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Bleecker Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Pedestrian traffic is anticipated to remain open on the south side of Bleecker Street for the duration of the project. In order to facilitate the installation, the cherry trees located on the northern perimeter of the project site will be pruned. Mercer Street – the week of August 22nd/week of August 29. In order to facilitate the installation, Mercer Street between Bleecker Street and Houston Street will be closed to vehicular traffic during work hours during the fence installation, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Mercer Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Mercer Street within the project site during the installation period. All parking spaces on the east and west sides of Mercer Street will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site for the duration of the project. The west side of Mercer Street along the project site will be inaccessible to pedestrians, but the east side of Mercer Street is scheduled...
to remain open for pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project. Houston Street – the week of August 29/week of September 6. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Houston Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Pedestrian traffic will be accommodated by a lane closure and jersey barriers on the northern side of Houston Street adjacent to the site for the duration of the project. Some parking spaces on the north side of Houston Street (between Mercer and Greene Streets) will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site. As a reminder, the narrow path between 181 Mercer Street and Silver Towers (Greene Street walkway between Houston Street and Bleecker Street) will be inaccessible to pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project due to the location of the construction fence. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on the plaza between Silver Towers buildings I and II (100 and 110 Bleecker Street) and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Greene Street within the project site during the installation period.

Interior demolition within the Coles building continues and is expected to continue for two months, site conditions permitting. A portion of the Coles plaza, in front of the building entrance, will be enclosed with barriers and a fence to hold a debris container.

**Construction Update, August 8, 2016**

Installation of the construction fence continues for the month of August, weather and site conditions permitting. Fence installation began at the southwestern corner of the 181 Mercer site and is scheduled to proceed clockwise until the site is enclosed. As part of the fence installation the trees located around the perimeter of the Coles site will be removed. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct pedestrian traffic.

The fence installation is scheduled to continue as follows: Bleecker Street—the week of August 8. A sidewalk bridge will be installed along the northern perimeter of the project site. Some parking spots on the southern portion of Bleecker Street will be inaccessible during the installation. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Bleecker Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Pedestrian traffic is anticipated to remain open on the south side of Bleecker Street for the duration of the project. In order to facilitate the installation, the cherry trees located on the northern perimeter of the project site will be pruned. Mercer Street – the week of August 15. In order to facilitate the installation, Mercer Street between Bleecker Street and Houston Street will be closed to vehicular traffic during work hours during the fence installation, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Mercer Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Mercer Street within the project site during the installation period. All parking spaces on the east and west sides of Mercer Street will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site for the duration of the project. The west side of Mercer Street along the project site will be inaccessible to pedestrians, but the east side of Mercer Street is scheduled to remain open for pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project. Houston Street – the week of August 22. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Houston Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Pedestrian traffic will be accommodated by a lane closure and jersey barriers on the northern side of Houston Street adjacent to the site for the duration of the project. Some parking spaces on the north side of Houston Street (between Mercer and Greene Streets) will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site. As a reminder, the narrow path between 181 Mercer Street and Silver Towers (Greene Street walkway between Houston Street and Bleecker Street) will be inaccessible to
pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project due to the location of the construction fence. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on the plaza between Silver Towers buildings I and II (100 and 110 Bleecker Street) and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Greene Street within the project site during the installation period.

Interior demolition within the Coles building continues and is expected to continue for two months, site conditions permitting. A portion of the Coles plaza, in front of the building entrance, will be enclosed with barriers and a fence to hold a debris container.

**Construction Update, August 1, 2016**

Installation of the construction fence is scheduled to begin on August 1 and is scheduled to continue for approximately 4 weeks, weather and site conditions permitting. Fence installation is scheduled to begin at the southwestern corner of the 181 Mercer site and is scheduled to proceed clockwise until the site is enclosed. As part of the fence installation the trees located around the perimeter of the Coles site will be removed. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct pedestrian traffic.

The fence is scheduled to be installed as follows:

**Greene Street – the week of August 1**

- The narrow path between 181 Mercer Street and Silver Towers (Greene Street walkway between Houston Street and Bleecker Street) will be inaccessible to pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project due to the location of the construction fence.

- The diagonal pedestrian walkway through the Oak Grove connecting the Silver Towers plaza to Bleecker Street will be inaccessible to pedestrian traffic. Walkway pavers will be removed and sod planted to restore the Oak Grove back to its original landmark condition the week of August 1, weather permitting. A dumpster is scheduled to be located on Bleecker Street for debris removal. As with any construction site, noise may be generated by hand tools and mechanical equipment, such as power saw and sledge hammers, in the area immediately surrounding the work.

- Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on the plaza between Silver Towers buildings I and II (100 and 110 Bleecker Street) and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Greene Street within the project site during the installation period

- In order to facilitate the installation of the fence, a portion of the Bleecker Street open space fence located along the eastern end of the Oak Grove and two lampposts located on the Greene Street path will be removed. The fence and lampposts will be stored for the duration of the project.

**Bleecker Street—the week of August 8**

- A sidewalk bridge will be installed along the northern perimeter of the project site. Some parking spots on the southern portion of Bleecker Street will be inaccessible during the installation. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Bleecker Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks.

- Pedestrian traffic is anticipated to remain open on the south side of Bleecker Street for the duration of the project.
• In order to facilitate the installation, the cherry trees located on the northern perimeter of the project site will be pruned.

Mercer Street – the week of August 15

• In order to facilitate the installation, Mercer Street between Bleecker Street and Houston Street will be closed to vehicular traffic during work hours during the fence installation, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

• Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Mercer Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Mercer Street within the project site during the installation period.

• All parking spaces on the east and west sides of Mercer Street will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site for the duration of the project.

• The west side of Mercer Street along the project site will be inaccessible to pedestrians, but the east side of Mercer Street is scheduled to remain open for pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project.

Houston Street – the week of August 22

• Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Houston Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks.

• Pedestrian traffic will be accommodated by a lane closure and jersey barriers on the northern side of Houston Street adjacent to the site for the duration of the project.

• Some parking spaces on the north side of Houston Street (between Mercer and Greene Streets) will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site.

• Interior demolition within the Coles building is scheduled to begin the week of August 1 and is expected to continue for two months, site conditions permitting. A portion of the Coles plaza, in front of the building entrance, will be enclosed with barriers and a fence beginning the week of August 1, to hold a debris container.

Construction Update, July 25, 2016

The M21 MTA bus stop will be relocated to the existing (X7, X9, and X10B) MTA bus stop on the north side of Houston Street between Broadway and Mercer Street the week of July 25 to accommodate the construction fence installation. Please note that an existing M21 bus stop is located on the north side of Houston Street between Wooster Street and LaGuardia Place, one block west. A lift will be located on Houston Street to dismantle the bus stop enclosure.

Additional investigatory boring work is scheduled for the western side of 181 Mercer Street (Greene Street) the week of July 25 and August 1 to allow the architects and engineers to gain critical information that will inform the design of the building’s foundation. Drilling rigs will be used to perform the boring work and a temporary protective barrier will be erected.

The level of noise from these rigs is equivalent to an idling truck, but will become more acute during the boring process - about 2-3 minutes of hammering for every 15-minutes of drilling.
Installation of the construction fence is scheduled to begin on August 1 and is scheduled to continue for approximately 4 weeks, weather and site conditions permitting. Fence installation is scheduled to begin at the southwestern corner of the 181 Mercer site and is scheduled to proceed clockwise until the site is enclosed. As part of the fence installation the trees located around the perimeter of the Coles site will be removed. Flagmen are expected to be onsite to direct pedestrian traffic. To learn more see a site map or visit our About the Project Site FAQ page. The fence is scheduled to be installed as follows:

Greene Street – the week of August 1

• The narrow path between 181 Mercer Street and Silver Towers (Greene Street walkway between Houston Street and Bleecker Street) will be inaccessible to pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project due to the location of the construction fence.

• The diagonal pedestrian walkway through the Oak Grove connecting the Silver Towers plaza to Bleecker Street will be inaccessible to pedestrian traffic. Walkway pavers will be removed and sod planted to restore the Oak Grove back to its original landmark condition in conjunction with the installation of the construction fence.

• Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on the plaza between Silver Towers buildings I and II (100 and 110 Bleecker Street) and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks. Fence materials may be stored on Greene Street within the project site during the installation period.

• In order to facilitate the installation of the fence, a portion of the Bleecker Street open space fence located along the eastern end of the Oak Grove and two lampposts located on the Greene Street path will be removed the week of July 25. The fence and lampposts will be stored offsite for the duration of the project.

Bleecker Street—the week of August 8

• A sidewalk bridge will be installed along the northern perimeter of the project site. Some parking spots on the southern portion of Bleecker Street will be inaccessible during the installation. Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Bleecker Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks.

• Pedestrian traffic is anticipated to remain open on the south side of Bleecker Street for the duration of the project.

• In order to facilitate the installation, the cherry trees located on the northern perimeter of the project site will be pruned.

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• All parking spaces on the east and west sides of Mercer Street will be rendered inaccessible by the
construction fence and construction activity at the site for the duration of the project.

• The west side of Mercer Street along the project site will be inaccessible to pedestrians, but the east side of Mercer Street is scheduled to remain open for pedestrian traffic for the duration of the project.

Houston Street – the week of August 22

• Materials will be unloaded from trucks located on Houston Street and a forklift may be used to unload materials from the trucks.

• Pedestrian traffic will be accommodated by a lane closure and jersey barriers on the northern side of Houston Street adjacent to the site for the duration of the project.

• Some parking spaces on the north side of Houston Street (between Mercer and Greene Streets) will be rendered inaccessible by the construction fence and construction activity at the site.

Construction Update, July 19, 2016

The M21 MTA bus stop will be relocated to the existing (X7, X9, and X10B) MTA bus stop on the north side of Houston Street between Broadway and Mercer Street the week of July 25 to accommodate the construction fence installation. Please note that an existing M21 bus stop is located on the north side of Houston Street between Wooster Street and LaGuardia Place, one block west. A lift will be located on Houston Street to dismantle the bus stop enclosure.

Additional investigatory boring work is scheduled for the western side of 181 Mercer Street (Greene Street) the week of July 25 and August 1 to allow the architects and engineers to gain critical information that will inform the design of the building’s foundation.

Drilling rigs will be used to perform the boring work and a temporary protective barrier will be erected.

The level of noise from these rigs is equivalent to an idling truck, but will become more acute during the boring process - about 2-3 minutes of hammering for every 15-minutes of drilling.

Construction Update, July 14, 2016

Workers continue emptying the content of the Coles building. This work is scheduled to continue through the summer.

Construction Update, June 27, 2016

IT conduit relocation work is complete. Workers are scheduled to continue emptying the content of the Coles building through the early summer.

Construction Update, June 6, 2016

IT conduit relocation work continues and is scheduled to continue through the end of June. Workers are also scheduled to continue emptying the content of the Coles building through the early summer.
Construction Update, June 1, 2016

The Verizon strike has come to an end. The Verizon subsidiary performing the IT conduit relocation work has notified the University that work is scheduled to resume on Tuesday, June 2. The relocation work is scheduled to continue through the end of June.

Work will resume with digging at the intersection of Mercer and Bleecker Streets and will continue on the north side of Bleecker Street; concluding near the 181 Mercer Street building line. The trench excavated to perform this work will be backfilled when the relocation on Bleecker Street is complete. When working in the intersection of Mercer Street and Bleecker Street vehicular traffic patterns may shift.

Some parking spots on the north side of Bleecker Street will be rendered inaccessible during this work. As with any construction site, dust and noise may be generated by mechanical equipment, such as jackhammers and saw-cutters, in the area immediately surrounding the work.