CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS UPDATE

AUGUST 2005
City Hall Project Elements

- Seismic Strengthening
- Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Fire suppression systems
- Technology Upgrades (Council Chambers)
- Elevator Upgrades (3 elevators & 1 ADA lift)
- Restoration of Interior Spaces (historic and non-historic areas)
- Restoration of Exterior Building Areas
- Landscape Restoration
- ADA Upgrades
- Fundraising Program
Aerial Photographs of Construction Activity
August 22, 2005

Bird’s eye view of City Hall Construction Activity Looking North East from Garfield Avenue
To install the seismic structural elements which will keep City Hall safe from suffering major earthquake damage, required that the Euclid Avenue arcade be removed. Don’t worry! Following installation of the base isolators, this beautiful structure will be re-built to its original splendor, with the added bonus of being structurally safe!
Tree Protection – Courtyard Oaks

Safeguarding the Health of the City Hall Courtyard Oak Trees During Construction Activity is a High Priority. The City and Building Contractor have engaged the services of Certified, Consulting Arborists to monitor the health of all Project Trees on an on-going basis!
Our beautiful historic courtyard fountain is doubly protected by fencing and installation of construction "K"-rails to ensure its safety during construction of the moat, installation of the base isolators, and exterior restoration activities for the City Hall building structure. Fountain protection was completed under the oversight of the City’s Historic Preservation monitor and will be safeguarded throughout the project.
Building protection measures have been installed to safeguard City Hall’s original tile walkways and Decorative features throughout the structure.

All historic lighting fixtures and other elements have been removed, catalogued, boxed, and safeguarded during construction under the watchful eye of the City’s Historic Preservation monitors.
Bricks and clay floor tiles were carefully removed from the original Arcade prior to its demolition under the direction of the City’s Historic Preservation Monitor. These pavers, which are now in storage, will be reused in historic areas of the building.
Exterior Excavation for Base Isolation Installation


Note: All work, including exterior building protection is being undertaken under the direction of the City’s Historic Preservation Monitor.
Interior Excavation – Basement Area

Excavation of the Basement Area Showing Existing Building Columns to Provide for the Installation of the Base Isolation System. The City’s Structural Engineer has reviewed this work to ensure its stability during construction, and assures us that the building won’t fall down during construction activity!
Existing Old and Outdated Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing was removed from the Attic Area of the Building. New systems will be installed as part of the Building renovation.
Fourth Floor Lobby & Office Areas following Demolition, showing the stairs leading up to 5th floor tower observation area. Note: All work, including building protection is being undertaken under the direction of the City’s Historic Preservation Monitor.
Interior Demolition/Framing – City Hall 3rd Floor

Installation of New Framing for 3rd Floor Offices.

Note: All work undertaken in historic areas of City Hall is monitored under the direction of the City’s Historic Preservation Monitor, for compliance with all historic preservation requirements.
City Council Chambers will be rehabilitated to its original condition. All work undertaken in historic interior spaces of City Hall will be completed under the direction of the City’s Historic Preservation Monitor, for compliance with all historic preservation requirements.
Interior Demolition – City Hall 1st Floor

Demolition of 1st Floor Office Areas

1st Floor Office Area following Demolition

Note: Historic Office Areas within City Hall have been maintained and not demolished. These areas will be restored to their original condition as part of the renovation of the building under the watchful eye of the City’s Historic Preservation Monitor.