

May 10, 2017

To: Area Residents  
From: Mayor Buckley

Re: St. Francis Update

Dear Area Residents,

I hope this letter finds all of you well. I wanted to get you up to date on some items concerning the old hospital property.

We have scheduled another town hall meeting for Tuesday June 6, 2017 at 7PM. The meeting will be held at the Hornet Park Community Center. You are certainly welcome to attend.

It appears that bricks will NOT be available for distribution. The contractor in charge states that the vast majority of bricks will be destroyed during the demolition. I was hoping that they would consider creating a pile for access, but that doesn't seem to be in the works either.

More lighting has been installed in the parking lot by the construction trailers. Although we are not experiencing problems, it is always good to add lighting for security purposes.

We still intend to pave the alley north of Buffalo and between 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenues. The weather has not been cooperative.

I have run into inspectors from the Health Department and Air Quality Control on more than one occasion. All reports that I have received indicate the testing and inspections are going well.

The chapel located on the first floor of the tower building has been closed and the remnants have been removed and shipped to the contractor's facility in Michigan City.

They are doing quite a bit of inside universal mitigation on the south building. You can see large holes on the outside of the building with painted numbers for each floor. This is a prelude to external demolition.

You may have noticed but on the 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue side of the center building, they have removed some architectural features from the building. This is at the request of Franciscan Health and will be saved. They have some more features to retrieve prior to dismantling.

We have another meeting with the contractor and all involved on May 25<sup>th</sup>. This should be the last status meeting prior to the outside dismantling of the buildings. Brandenburg Company has really stepped up their construction efforts. Part of their report to me will be brought forward at the town hall meeting.

We have contracted more street sweeping in your area and will probably step it up even more once the buildings start to come down.

These are just some updates for you. If you have questions, concerns or are having problems, please contact us at 317-803-9111 or contact the [mayorscallcenter@beechgrove.com](mailto:mayorscallcenter@beechgrove.com).

Respectfully,

Dennis B. Buckley  
Mayor  
City of Beech Grove