

Midtown Harrisburg park in sight

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Work has begun on a new park in Harrisburg's midtown area, [Mayor Stephen R. Reed](#) today announced.

Urban Meadows will be a block-long parkway that connects Harrisburg Area Community College's (HACC) Midtown Center with other midtown points between the 1500 blocks of North Third and North Fourth streets, Reed said in a statement. The adjacent Boyd Street has been abandoned for the project, Reed said.

Harrisburg development group [Powers & Associates](#) is developing the park. The park is part of the [Midtown Master Plan](#) the company designed to help revitalize midtown.

Powers developed HACC's Midtown Center last year and is building a 70,000-square-foot office and retail building across the street from the center at the corner of North Third and Reily streets.

Streetscape will be dug up and replaced with grass, trees and other plants in the park. It will include benches, accent lighting, decorative walkways, new pedestrian crosswalks, curb and street improvements and infrastructure enhancements, Reed said.

The park will also act as an outdoor living classroom for HACC students, Reed said. It will include green features, including storm-water removal systems and plants that can be included in the school's curriculums, he said.

Work is expected to be completed this summer, Reed said.

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