

# VIA Rapid Green Line construction kicks off, aiming for 2028 completion

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Local leaders and VIA officials gathered for a ceremonial groundbreaking at Roosevelt Park, marking the start of the project's construction phase.

Construction is set to begin in late July, focusing initially on utility relocation and other preparations along the 10.35-mile route. VIA President & CEO Jon Gary Herrera emphasized the project's significance at the ceremony, stating, "This project is part of our commitment to deliver on what San Antonians have asked for: better, more reliable and more frequent service."

Herrera added, "This isn't just about infrastructure. It's about access, about connecting people to opportunity and to the friends, family, places

and things that are important to them. The Green Line will do so with the highest frequency and most reliable service."

Scheduled to begin service in early 2028, the Green Line will enhance transit access from near the San Antonio International Airport, down San Pedro Avenue, through Downtown to Steves Avenue, and continue to the Brooks Transit Center. It will operate 21 hours a day, with 10-minute frequency during the week and 15-minute frequency on weekends.



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Mayor Ron Nirenberg highlighted the community-driven nature of the project, saying, "The VIA Rapid Green Line is the culmination of intense community-driven planning, and VIA is now delivering on what our region envisioned for mobility."

Nirenberg continued, "Great cities have great public transportation, and I'm excited to see VIA innovating with projects like Advanced Rapid Transit,

which is designed to be future-proof and meet the growing and evolving needs of our residents."

The Green Line is a key component of VIA's voter-approved Keep San Antonio Moving plan and is partially funded by a one-eighth cent sales tax that VIA will start receiving in 2026. The construction will proceed in phases, with VIA providing at least 30 days' notice before work begins in each segment. Initial construction will start near U.S. Highway 281 and Isom Road, and near Roosevelt Avenue and Steves Avenue.