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Bank of America Financial Center Plaza and Streetscape to Undergo Major Remodel *Project includes a 'green' plaza*

SPOKANE, Wash. (June 6, 2008) – One of Spokane's downtown buildings is about to become more green and create a new, welcoming streetscape on West Riverside Avenue. Construction will begin this month on a major renovation to the plaza outside the Bank of America Financial Center in downtown Spokane.

Unico Properties LLC, the Seattle-based real estate investment and operating company, which owns and operate the building, has unveiled plans for the public space along Riverside Avenue that includes a 'green' plaza with large planters filled with flowers, trees and shrubs, benches and new building signage.

"The design intent is to open up the building's entrance to visitors and make it more inviting," said Chrissy McCullough, Property Manager. "When it's completed, the plaza will be a park-like setting with greenery and benches where patrons and tenants can sit and enjoy lunch or a cup of coffee."

The estimated cost of the renovation is \$750,000 and construction is expected to be completed by early September.

Project architects are Bernardo Wills Architects of Spokane and Michael Whalen, AIA, Seattle. Yost Mooney and Pugh of Spokane is serving as general contractor.

Since it purchased Spokane's tallest building in 2007, Unico has invested in several improvements in the interior common areas, elevators and lobby.

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An aerial view of the exterior remodel of the Bank of America Financial Center.



Exterior renovations will include new signage for the building.



Renovations to the plaza of the Bank of America Financial Center will be completed by September.

**Renderings by Michael Whalen, AIA*