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Key street in the Quarters Downtown opens to traffic

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The Quarters Downtown has reached a major milestone now that the Armature, a 4.5 block stretch along 96 Street from 103A Avenue to Jasper Avenue, is open to traffic.

"The Armature is a cornerstone of The Quarters Downtown revitalization and its completion signals great progress for this community," Mary Ann Debrinski, Director Urban Renewal.

The Armature is a pedestrian-oriented street, and the core's first "green street". Special soil systems are being used to capture rainfall. The rain is used to help water trees and other vegetation along the street.

The Armature is expected to become the heart of the Quarters Downtown. Custom furniture, bike racks and lamp posts have been specifically created for the Armature to make it pedestrian-friendly. Work on the Armature also included updating the utilities and drainage along the street.

The street is one of the key pillars attracting development to the area, including the newly-opened Hyatt Place Hotel.

Funding for The Quarters Downtown project comes through The Quarters Community Revitalization Levy (CRL). The City received Council approval to invest \$100 million into the revitalization of the area.

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