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Renovations to modernize Austin's Holiday Inn

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Scott Davy, general manager, (right) and Jeremie Slagle, food services general manager stand outside near the Austin Holiday Inn and Convention Center's new sign. The signs were the start of the Holiday Inn's new renovation project.



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The Holiday Inn and Convention Center is currently undergoing outside renovations that will eventually include Torge's Live later this summer.

Austin's Holiday Inn is undergoing one of its largest renovation projects in more than a decade.

The modernization project is coming as part of the overall Holiday Inn company "relaunch" program.

"It's kind of a brand re-imaging," said general manager Scott Davy.

The hotel's exterior will be remodeled to include new entrances, paint and landscaping. A new Holiday Inn sign has already been installed along Interstate 90.

The hotel will also update amenities across the hotel interior.

Davy said the updates are aimed to add a new level of service for customers.

Along with new bedding and other updates to the rooms, a new elevator will be installed and the lobby will be remodeled. There will also be a new fitness center. Davy said the remodel is designed to give the hotel a modern, upscale look.

The renovations aren't limited strictly to the hotel. Torge's Live Sports Pub will add a number of flat screen high definition televisions and an outdoor fireplace. Davy said there will be a number of new weekly specials to compliment a wide selection of live entertainment like music, karaoke and other events.

Davy said the project shows the company's commitment to the Austin area for years to come.

"It's a substantial investment in the Austin community," Davy said.

The project is scheduled to be completed by September.