Reopening of the State Theater in Auburn was delayed pending arrival and installation of new seating, according to Carla Mason, manager.

“We’re disappointed. We have a great floor. We have fresh paint. We’re ready. We did all we needed to do. We were excited. We were right on track. Brian LaVigne and Terry Fulton did a great job. We painted and did ceiling repairs. We have no seats,” said Mason.

The 240 seats are now scheduled to arrive Friday, Nov. 23, according to Mason. Arrival of the seats, which were ordered months ago, was delayed twice.

She said it is hoped to have installation of the seats expedited upon their arrival. If the Nov. 23 deadline for arrival of the seats is met, Mason said the earliest the theater could reopen is Friday, Nov. 30. She said she is unsure what movie will be shown the day when the theater reopens.

The delay is also disappointing because a number of major new movies have opened or will be opening soon, Mason said.

Those include Skyfall, the 23rd James Bond movie; The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 2, the last in that series and Rise of the Guardians.

The Hobbit: Unexpected Journey is still scheduled to open at the State Theater on Friday, Dec. 14, the day of its national break. It is the prequel to “The Lord of the Rings” trilogy.

The new seating and floor work continued upgrades at the Auburn theater. Earlier this year, a digital projector and new screen were installed.