



## CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #72 Queens Quay Revitalization

Week of October 28 to November 1, 2013

### CONSTRUCTION NEWS

#### **Partial Closure of Eastbound Spadina/ Lake Shore Intersection**

The eastbound Lake Shore Boulevard intersection at Lower Spadina Avenue will be partially closed for the streetcar track construction at the Spadina Loop during the following dates and time:

**Stage 1** – Beginning **Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, at **7:00 pm** until **Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**, at **6:00 am**; and

**Stage 2** – Beginning **Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**, at **8:00 pm** until **Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**, at **6:00 am**

Traffic travelling eastbound on Lake Shore Boulevard will be reduced to one lane at the Lower Spadina Avenue intersection. The Spadina off-ramp from the eastbound Gardiner will also be reduced to one lane during this time. Westbound traffic on Lake Shore Boulevard will not be impacted. Overnight work should also be expected during the weekend closures. Paid duty police officers will be on site to help divert traffic during this work.

#### **Essential Services Night Work**

Overnight work will continue throughout this week for municipal infrastructure work (catch basins and manholes) on Queens Quay between Bay and York Streets and between the Peter Slip Bridge and Lower Spadina Avenue. Water is not scheduled to be shutoff during this work.

However, a temporary water supply shutoff will be required between 10pm and 5am for the removal and installation of new valves and fire hydrants.

- Wednesday, October 30: 251 Queens Quay (Admiralty Point Residences) and 259 Queens Quay (Toronto Police Marine Unit)

This notice and work has been coordinated and communicated to the property managers, businesses and residents of these properties.

#### **Note!**

Night crews will minimize noise by undertaking noisy prep activities (e.g., jackhammering, saw cutting etc.) during the day. Crews will also use walkie-talkies to avoid the need to call to one another across the site. Small localized floodlights will also be employed at the worksite.

### ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

#### **Queens Quay Terminal Building**

The demolition of the concrete steps at the northwest corner and leading from the landscape gardens of the Queens Quay Terminal building will continue this week. This work includes the forming of new steps with rebar and the pour of concrete. This area is now closed to pedestrians, with alternative diversion paths available.

#### **York Ramp Area**

Last week, crews began the installation of pole foundations, traffic signals, hand wells, and the modifications to the existing curb and traffic lanes for the new design of Queens Quay. Final landscape work including new granite pavers will occur in subsequent weeks. The right turn lane at Queens Quay/York Street (for northbound traffic onto York Street) is temporarily closed but right turns will still be permitted from the westbound travel lane.

#### **Bay Street Portal**

Crews last week began the installation of a new catch basin in this area. They have also completed the layout of the new planter beds at the head of the TTC portal. This week crews will continue with both construction activities. All work will be performed within the construction zone with no impacts to vehicles or pedestrians.

Eastern Construction has also created a laydown area to accommodate crews working for the Property Managers of 33 Harbour Square as they build a new fitness centre and spa on the third floor of this property.

### **Queens Quay Granite Sidewalk Installation / Parking Laybys**

- *PawsWay/Simcoe WaveDeck:* Crews have completed the formation of the new curb, sidewalk, and bedding area adjacent to the east leg of Robertson Crescent. This week, crews will continue laying the new granite pavers (creating the maple leaf pattern) which began at the Simcoe WaveDeck and proceed west towards PawsWay.
- *West of the 208 & 218 Queens Quay driveway:* Last week, crews completed the construction and concrete pour of the tree trenches and street light foundations in this area. Crews will continue west towards Lower Simcoe which includes the preparations and construction of the second layby in front of 218 Queens Quay. A vac-truck will be required for the placement of the streetlight foundations, so intermittent construction noise can be expected with this work. Pedestrian access passing this area on the north side of Queens Quay will be maintained at all times.
- *Rees WaveDeck area:* Crews have completed the laying of the granite pavers across the face of the Harbourfront Sailing & Powerboating building. This work will continue east to the Rees/Robertson intersection this week. A secondary temporary pedestrian diversion has been created through this area. The Toronto Police Marine Unit sign will also be repositioned on its new base this week.

### **New Streetlight, Traffic and TTC Pole Foundations**

Crews are installing pole foundations across the corridor in the following locations:

- *York Ramp Area:* Shoring work has been completed, allowing for the installation of caissons for new street poles in this area.
- *Harbourfront Centre / Lower Simcoe:* Last week, crews completed the drilling of the caisson foundations required for new streetlight and traffic poles at the north and south side of the Lower Simcoe and Queens Quay intersection.
- *North side of Queens Quay (West of Rees Street to the Rees Street Parking Lot):* Crews completed a temporary pedestrian path along the north curb lane of Queens Quay from just west of Rees Street to the Beer Store entrance/driveway. This path is protected by fast fence and jersey barriers, and now accommodates crews working on the removal of soil and existing landscape materials from the Beer Store entrance east and directly in front of the Rees Street parking lot this week.
- *Yo Yo Ma Lane:* Shoring will continue to be placed for the installation of caissons for new streetpoles in this area. This includes the pour of concrete for the pole foundations this week.

Construction noise should be expected as crews drill and trench with a backhoe to complete this work. A vac-truck may also be used so intermittent construction noise should be expected.

### **Spadina Loop Reconstruction**

With the temporary closure of Lower Spadina (northbound) now in place, crews have completed the rebuild of the TTC splicing chamber at the northwest corner of the loop. This work included the removal of the temporary road surface that extended into Lower Spadina Avenue. The pedestrian sidewalk has been closed in this area, with an alternative path available along the southside of Lake Shore Blvd towards the covered laneway adjacent to 390 Queens Quay and the Shoppers Drug Mart.

The rebuild of a second existing splicing chamber within the loop (behind the 410 Queens Quay condominium) is nearing completion. Crews this week will also continue to place and tie-in the conduit pipes to/from this splicing chamber which is located on the east side of the 410 Queens Quay property. Construction noise should be expected.

Please see our Spadina Loop Reconstruction [Special Construction Notice](#) for more information about this work.

## TTC Splicing Chambers

Crews have completed the installation of 90% of the TTC splicing chambers outside of the loop area.

Last week, excavation for the next splicing chamber located near the old taxi stand at 207 Queens Quay began. Work this week includes the delivery and placement of this new splicing chamber. Backfill and temporary road restoration activities are scheduled for the following week.

## Peter Slip Bridge

This area continues to have active construction related to Toronto Hydro works. This includes the placement of new buried electrical services, which replace the overhead wiring in this area.

Storm and Sanitary Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p>Bay to York: Crews have completed the new sanitary line through the driveway entrance of 55/65 Harbour Square. The road surface was restored with asphalt and reopened for use. This week crews continue to track west towards York Street.</p>	➔	<p>Work in this area is coordinated with the condominium property managers. Construction noise should be expected as crews proceed west to York Street.</p>
<p>Simcoe to Rees: Sanitary installation work has now reached the 260 Queens Quay area. At this point, the sanitary line transitions towards the south side of Queens Quay. A slight traffic shift occurred last week to facilitate the work diagonally across Queens Quay in this area. Activities and pace are heavily dependent on dewatering in this area.</p>	➔	<p>All sanitary construction work occurs behind jersey barriers/protective fencing. Construction noise/dust should be expected. A temporary asphalt layby is located in this area to accommodate deliveries.</p>
<p>Rees Street Parking Lot to Spadina Avenue: Some night work is scheduled in this area for the installation of new catch basins and manholes.</p>	➔	<p>Night crews will undertake noisy prep activities (e.g., jackhammering, saw cutting etc.) during the day. A temporary water shutoff is planned for mid-week (see "Construction News for details).</p>

Toronto Hydro Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p><i>West of the Yonge Slip:</i> Work on the chamber in this area will continue this week. Progress is dependent on water levels but work is expected to be complete by mid-Nov.</p>	➔	<p>Work will occur behind the construction fencing already in place.</p>
<p><i>Peter Slip Bridge to Spadina:</i> Crews will continue with trenching activities west of the Peter Slip Bridge and are continuing to move west towards Lower Spadina.</p>	➔	<p>Crews will work within the construction zone which is protected by fast fence and jersey barriers. Some noise can be expected as crews continue their construction activities in this area.</p>
<p><i>EMS/Fire Station:</i> Crews will continue work on the two cable chambers located west of the 339 Queens Quay address and the south side of Queens Quay. The tentative completion date is November 20.</p>	➔	<p>Excavation and construction activities are performed behind jersey barrier and fast fence. Some noise can be expected with these activities.</p>
<p><i>Lower Spadina to YoYo Ma Lane:</i> PLP crews will continue trenching activities at the intersection of Lower</p>	➔	<p>This work continues behind the protection of jersey barriers and construction zone. Some noise should</p>

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Spadina/Queens Quay and proceed west to Yo Yo Ma Lane. The cable chamber rebuild at the northeast corner of Lower Simcoe & Queens Quay will continue. Expected completion date is November 1.		be expected as crews continue these trenching activities.

**NOTE! Saturday Work**

Toronto Hydro-Electric System (THES) will have crews performing overhead work along Lower Spadina Avenue on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

**TTC Portal**

TTC crews will continue with the water and leak remediation efforts within the Bay Street tunnel. Some noise should be expected from “back-up” truck alarms as they exit the top of the portal ramp. There will be little or no disruption to vehicular access along Queens Quay while this work is in progress.

**LOOK AHEAD: UPCOMING WORK**

Eastern/Waterfront Toronto:

- Sanitary sewer work will continue past the 55/65 Harbour Square entrance/exit driveway.
- The rebuild of the Spadina Loop will continue into Lower Spadina Avenue. Northbound traffic will continue to be closed on Lower Spadina (between Queens Quay and Lake Shore)
- Spadina and Lake Shore Blvd east lane restrictions scheduled for Nov.1-4 and Nov.8-12 weekends
- Preparations for the construction of the new storm line west of the Rees WaveDeck will continue.
- Granite sidewalk pavers will continue to be installed between York and Simcoe and the construction of a second layby in front of 218 Queens Quay.
- Landscape work will continue in front of PawsWay and adjacent to the Simcoe WaveDeck.
- Construction of sanitary and storm services will continue between Bay and York and Simcoe and Rees.
- Waste receptacles will be installed in front of the Westin Hotel.
- Removal and reconstruction of steps at Queens Quay Terminal adjacent the taxi stand will continue

Hydro: Chamber construction will continue at all locations – with some work contingent upon dewatering levels.

**Questions:**

For more information about this work, please email [info@waterfrontoronto.ca](mailto:info@waterfrontoronto.ca) or for urgent construction issues, contact Robert Pasut, Eastern Construction - (416) 505-3073.