

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #112 Queens Quay Revitalization

For the week of August 16 to August 22, 2014

CONSTRUCTION NEWS

New Road: First Stretch of Asphalt Pour Monday

Crews are scheduled to asphalt a first stretch of roadway from York to the Rees parkette area this Monday, August 18. This includes the base and finish courses for this two block area of Queens Quay. Before the asphalt pour, crews must complete granite curb placements, city standard brick gutters, TTC concrete buffers and all manhole and catch basin adjustments.

Streetcar Testing

TTC will begin testing streetcars on the 510 line next week – including around the Spadina Loop. The testing is in preparation for the resumption of streetcar service planned for August 31, 2014. The 509 Harbourfront line will resume service on October 12, 2014.

Harbour Square: Granite Sidewalk Installation

Last week, crews installed a new fast fence configuration for pedestrians along the south side sidewalk and adjacent to the 33 Harbour Square properties lobby entrances. This week, crews will begin the demolition of the old concrete sidewalks up to the property line of 33 Harbour Square starting at the Bay Street in preparation for granite sidewalks. This fencing also provides a space for crews, working on behalf of Scotiabank, to erect their new illuminated signs later this week. All work has been coordinated and approved with the support of the Harbour Square property management team.

Peter Slip Bridge

The conduit work below the Peter Slip Bridge is complete. The scaffold on the southside of the bridge will be dismantled later this week, once final inspections are complete. This will allow Harbourfront Centre crews to access the Maple Leaf Quay basin and complete the cleanup of debris.

Weekend Work: August 16/17

There will be crews working at several locations this weekend:

- *Rees Street to Lower Simcoe:* Preparations for asphalt pour.
- *Spadina Loop area:* Overhead cabling work TTC crews continue with adjustments, electrification, and final details prior to streetcar and rail testing.
- *Peter Slip Bridge west to Lower Spadina:* Crews will complete work on the TTC traction power conduits.
- *Spadina west to Yo Yo Ma Lane:* Rail/track adjustments in advance of inspections and concrete pour.

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

TTC Track Installation

Crews will continue final track work in the following areas:

- *Spadina to Yo Yo Ma Lane:* Last week, remaining streetcar rails were installed in this area. This week, TTC crews will complete the final rail preparations, and adjustments prior to inspections and the pour of concrete to permanently set the rails.
- *Shoppers Drug Mart to Peter Slip Bridge:* TTC crews completed the installation of the track expansion joints on the Peter Slip Bridge and the rails will be set in concrete following the inspection and approvals from all parties.

NOTE! Lake Shore Traffic Diversions

The City of Toronto has announced that the westbound lanes of Lake Shore Blvd., between Bay and York, will be closed to traffic from Saturday, August 16 at 12:01am to Sunday, August 17 at 11:59pm for the construction of the PATH pedestrian bridge. This work is not related to the Queens Quay revitalization project.

TTC Streetcar Platforms and Furnishings

- *York to Rees:* The pour of concrete for the TTC buffer was completed last week.
- *Rees Street:* The eastbound platform has been formed and will be poured with concrete this Saturday.
- *Rees Street west to Peter Slip Bridge:* This week, TTC crews will begin the placement of new cantilevered poles that support overhead streetcar cabling in this area.
- *401 Queens Quay –* The eastbound Lower Spadina platform has been excavated, and formed with rebar. The platform will receive the pour of concrete later this week.

Queens Quay Granite Sidewalk Installation

- *Bay to York Street (southside):*
 - *Bay Street to 55/65 Harbour Square area:* Last week, crews began pouring the concrete base slabs over the newly installed silva cell infrastructure in this area. Crews also completed the installation of silva cells between the 33 Harbour Square service driveway and the 55/65 Harbour Square driveway. Crews completed the placements of the last three catch basins in this area of the Martin Goodman Trail.
 - *55/65 Harbour Square area to York Street:* Last week, crews began to form the concrete base slabs over the completed silva cells in this area. Concrete pours are scheduled this week. The promenade area will also be backfilled and receive a granular sub-base in preparation of granite landscaping work.
- *Northwest Corner of York/Queens Quay:* Last week, crews completed the placement of granite curbs and textured tiles (for accessibility) at this corner of the intersection. This week, crews will continue to install the new granite pavers from the curb area north to the recently poured concrete sidewalks and BIXI bike stand area. Crews also completed the excavations and forming of the north and southside curb lanes east of York.
- *Northwest corner of Lower Simcoe/Queens Quay:* Crews will continue with sub-base preparations, concrete base slab pour, and installation of granite pavers in this area.
- *Rees Street Parking Lot:* Crews will continue to lay granite pavers to the curb area of this intersection and up to the public washroom location.
- *West of Lower Spadina:* Last week, crews completed the placement of granite pavers for the Music Garden southside promenade, as well as the “gutter detail” for the Martin Goodman Trail. The gutter detail is a stainless steel edging where the granite pavers for the promenade meet the asphalt Martin Goodman Trail. A small area of this promenade will be re-opened this week to the public. Access will be available only from the steps leading from within the Music Garden and adjacent the Spadina Wetland.

Martin Goodman Trail

Last week, crews completed the excavations of the old asphalt road surfaces from the Queens Quay Terminal west driveway to Lower Simcoe, south of the new TTC corridor. The deep excavations for the installation of the silva cells and tree trenches were also completed, and the placements of the silva cells for this area will begin this week. Crews also began excavations from Robertson Crescent (east leg) and will continue to proceed east towards Lower Simcoe.

New Roadway Construction Underway

- *Bay Street to York Street:* Last week, crews completed the granular sub-base, and pour of concrete of the base slab of the new roadway between York Street and the 85 Harbour driveway – north side. Next week, the new granite curbs will be installed.
- *York Street to Lower Simcoe:* The concrete base slab between York and Simcoe has cured, the final road preparations and details completed, and the area is ready for asphalt paving.
- *Lower Simcoe to Rees:* The concrete base slab between Lower Simcoe and Rees Street has been completed. Crews will continue work on the excavation of the north side concrete curb cradles, and new granite curb placements past the 250/260/270 Queens Quay properties. Crews will work to complete the city standard brick gutters, TTC concrete buffers, and all manhole and catch basin adjustments, in preparation of asphalt paving.

Toronto Hydro

Toronto Hydro crews (PLP) will return to Queens Quay to finish their duct bank work in the Rees Street area once utility “locates” are received. This work, which also includes the construction of two cable chambers on the southeast and southwest corners of the Rees Street intersection, could not be completed until the TTC corridor was rebuilt in this area.

More Information:

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