

## CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #116 Queens Quay Revitalization

For the week of September 13 to September 19, 2014

### CONSTRUCTION NEWS

#### **Notice: York Street Partial Closure**

A temporary closure of York St. between Queens Quay and Harbour St. will be required from September 15 to October 3 to connect the newly installed stormwater infrastructure on Queens Quay to the existing infrastructure on York Street. Please read the [Special Notice](#) for more details.

#### **Repaving Scheduled: Lower Spadina Avenue**

**With the 510 streetcar now back in service, crews will prepare and repave Lower Spadina from Lake Shore to Queens Quay. On Monday September 15, crews will scarify (grind) the north and south bound lanes one lane at a time in preparation for paving on the next day. Paid duty police officer will be on site to help direct traffic during this work.**

#### **Toronto Hydro: Primary Overhead Pole Removals**

Toronto Hydro crews are expected to begin the removal of the old primary overhead poles from Rees Street to Robertson Crescent (east leg) this week. The majority of these poles are located along the southside of Queens Quay, near the Radisson Hotel. There will be minimal impact to vehicle or pedestrian traffic in this area. The streetlights will not be affected when the overhead poles are removed.

#### **Preparing to Start Promenade West of Harbourfront Centre: Furnishing Removals**

The structures and furnishings on the west side of the Bill Boyle Artport building through to Ann Tindal Park will begin to be removed this week. These removals will accommodate the demolition of the sidewalk and preparations for the new granite promenade in this area. The illuminated advertising signs, vending machines and hot dog vendor will be relocated by Harbourfront Centre crews. Fast fence will be constructed to create a safe pedestrian diversion path around the work area and through Ann Tindal Park. All work has been coordinated and approved by the Harbourfront Centre management team.

#### **Rees Street Parkette Updates**

Last week, crews completed the installation of new handwells for electrical connections which restored lighting within the parkette. In addition, City crews also undertook extensive pruning of the trees and shrubs within the park as well as general maintenance. The fast fence that protects the newly laid sod within the park will remain in place. This week, crews are scheduled to reset and test the irrigation spray heads for the park.

#### **Weekend Work: September 13/14**

There will be crews working at two locations this weekend:

- *260/270 Queens Quay to Rees Street:* Continued public space and concrete sidewalk demolition.
- *Rees Street west to 390 Queens Quay:* Continued road surface removals and demolition of old concrete curbs.

### ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

#### **Signage for New Parking Laybys**

Several new parking laybys are now open on Queens Quay. These laybys are intended for short-term loading and unloading only. The temporary signage has been received and will be installed this week.

### **Kings Landing Landscape Work Continues**

Demolition of the public space and concrete sidewalks along the 460/470/480 Queens Quay properties will continue this week. Work also includes the installation of new pole foundations in this area.

### **Peter Slip Bridge: Roadwork Continues**

Last week, crews completed milling and grinding the old asphalt road surface over the Peter Slip Bridge. This week, the bridge structure will be inspected and tested, and the deck waterproofed before new asphalt is laid. The temporary scaffold structure below the bridge was reconstructed last week. This will allow crews to begin drilling and coring on the north side of the bridge in preparation for the installation of new crash barriers. All work on the Peter Slip Bridge is scheduled to be completed by the end of October.

### **North Side Granite Work: 250/260/270 Queens Quay**

Last week, crews began the demolition of the concrete sidewalks and public space in front of the 250/260/270 Queens Quay properties. This work continues this week. Crews will also work on creating the new tree trenches for this area, and will install new electrical conduits. Crews are also scheduled to complete work on the granite curb placements, city standard brick gutters, TTC concrete buffers and all manhole and catch basin adjustments from 260 Queens Quay west to Rees Street. Fast fence is in place along the colonnades of the building to protect passing pedestrians from the construction work.

### **TTC Streetcar Overhead Wiring, Platforms and Furnishings**

- *Spadina/Queens Quay:* The installation of the handrail and permanent TTC shelter for the eastbound platform is scheduled to be installed this week.
- *Rees Street:* The new eastbound TTC shelter for this platform will be installed this week. New curbs, adjacent to the TTC corridor will continue to be installed this week.
- *East of Rees to Bay Street:* TTC crews will continue with the placement of new cantilevered poles that support overhead streetcar cabling east of Rees Street. Crews are proceeding east, towards the Bay Street portal.
- *TTC Overhead Cabling:* TTC crews are finishing the installation of its overhead cabling in preparation for the underground pull of overhead electrical cabling along Queens Quay which is scheduled for September 26.

### **TTC Track Installation**

TTC crews will continue work on traction power and overhead cabling for the section of streetcar tracks west of Lower Spadina to Yo Yo Ma Lane.

### **Harbour Square Area: Granite, Martin Goodman Trail and Roadwork**

Crews are working on several different activities in front of the Harbour Square condominiums.

- *Bay Street to 33 Harbour Square service driveway:* A first section of granite promenade near the lobby entrance to 33 Harbour Square will be opened to pedestrians this week. The reopening of the path was delayed by a week, to accommodate crews – working on behalf of the 33 Harbour Square property managers – to complete their rehabilitation of the building’s elevated parking barriers. A crane was used to remove and replace six existing precast concrete panels. This week, crews will begin building the small section of promenade and sidewalk area at the corner of Queens Quay and Bay Street. Granite installation will also continue west to York.
- *33 Harbour service driveway to York Street:* Last week, crews completed the forming of the concrete base slabs over the completed silva cells in this area. Concrete pours are scheduled to be completed this week. The promenade area has been backfilled with a granular sub-base, in advance of the granite landscaping work which will begin this week.

### **Queens Quay Granite Promenade/Sidewalks**

- *Northwest Corner of York/Queens Quay:* Crews will complete work on laying the new granite pavers adjacent to the BIXI bike stand this week and the area will be fully reopened to the public.
- *Northwest corner of Lower Simcoe/Queens Quay:* Crews will continue with the installation of granite pavers. The granite pad for the new traffic controller for this intersection will be placed this week. This work is expected to be completed by the end of the week, and the area reopened to pedestrians.

- *Rees Street Parking Lot:* This week, crews will complete the excavation and preparations for the final pole foundation at this corner of Rees and Queens Quay. Once complete, crews will backfill and continue to lay granite pavers to the curb area of this intersection and up to the public washroom location.

### **Martin Goodman Trail**

Work is underway in several locations:

- *York Street to Queens Quay Terminal west driveway:* Crews have completed the deep excavations in this area, and this week will begin the installation of the silva cells from York Street west towards the Queens Quay terminal driveway.
- *Queens Quay Terminal west driveway to Lower Simcoe:* Last week, crews completed the installation of seven new bike rings located north of the new taxi stand at the Queens Quay Terminal building. This week, crews will continue with the final sub-base preparations, forming tree trenches and pouring concrete to cover the new silva cells up to the entrance of the Harbourfront Centre driveway. Crews will also begin the installation of granite pavers, and complete work on the eastbound TTC platform, remaining pole foundations, and granular sub-base.
- *Lower Simcoe to Robertson Crescent (east leg):* Crews will continue with the deep excavations for silva cells from Lower Simcoe to Ann Tindal Park. In addition, silva cell installations will continue from west of Ann Tindal Park to just east of Robertson Crescent. In coordination with the Harbourfront Centre management team, the Ann Tindal Park entrance is now closed. This to accommodate for road excavations and silva cell installations in this area.

### **New Roadway Construction Underway**

- *Lower Simcoe to Rees:* Crews will continue work on the excavation of the north side concrete curb cradles, and new granite curb placements past the 260/270 Queens Quay properties. Crews will also work to complete the city standard brick gutters, TTC concrete buffers, and all manhole and catch basin adjustments in this area.
- *Peter Slip Bridge:* Preparations for the new roadway will continue with the completion and cleanup of the excavations of the old asphalt surface this week.

### **Toronto Hydro**

Toronto Hydro crews (Power Line Plus) are undertaking duct bank work just west of Rees Street in front of the Rees WaveDeck. Once complete, crews will begin work on the two remaining cable chambers at the Rees Street intersection. This work could not be completed until the TTC corridor was rebuilt in this area.

### **More Information:**

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