

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #78 Queens Quay Revitalization

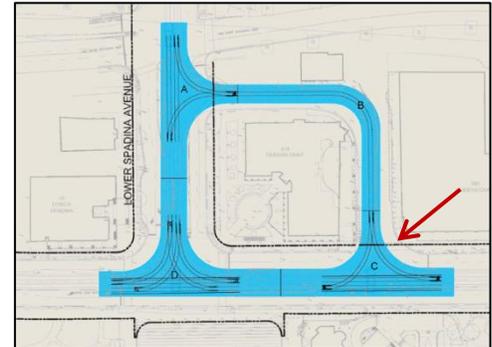
Week of December 9 to December 13, 2013

CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Next Phase of Spadina Loop Construction Begins

Crews are preparing for the installation of the third TTC Splicing Chamber for the Spadina Loop which is located on Queens Quay at the entrance to the 390 Maple Leaf Quay/Shoppers Drug Mart laneway.

Effective Tuesday, December 10, the laneway will be closed to incoming and outgoing traffic to allow crews to undertake this work. Access to the Maple Leaf Quay/Shoppers Drug Mart parking lot will be from the east side of the property (at the Beer Store entrance). Access to the 410 Condominium parking lot will not be impacted.



East/west pedestrian access along the north side of Queens Quay will be maintained at all times in front of Maple Leaf Quay and Shoppers Drug Mart. A special notice with more information about this work will be issued on Monday.

CONSTRUCTION REMINDERS

Enbridge Gas – Rees Street

Link-Line crews, working on behalf of Enbridge Gas, have been working on the installation of new gas lines in the Lake Shore Blvd/Rees St. area. Last week, crews continued with saw-cutting, trenching and hydro-vac operations at Lake Shore Blvd. behind the 270 Queens Quay property. This week, crews will continue to work south along the east side of Rees toward the Queens Quay intersection. One traffic lane on the east side of Rees is closed to permit these activities. The scheduled completion date is December 20. While this work is not part of the Queens Quay Revitalization project, construction activities are occurring within our work zone.

Weekend Work

Link-Line and Enbridge Gas crews will be working on Saturday and Sunday (December 6/7) to complete the installation and welding of metal gas line sections across the west and east travel lanes of Lake Shore Blvd at Rees Street. A gas regulator station will also be installed in the grassy area near the bicycle path at Lake Shore just east of Rees Street. Crews will work between 9:00am and 4:00pm. Paid-duty police officers will be directing traffic through this area (as required) on both days.

33 Harbour Square Fitness Centre Construction

Eastern Construction is maintaining 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 the property. Work continues on this project and the expected completion date has been changed to the end of January.

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Spadina Loop Reconstruction

Last week, crews completed backfill operations, formed the concrete base structures for the interior loop area, and continued pouring concrete. TTC crews are expected to deliver the rails for the interior Spadina Loop this week once the concrete has cured (weather dependent). Rails for this work are currently stored on the TTC right of way on Spadina Avenue. Due to the length of the rails, some short term lane closures on Lower Spadina Avenue at Lake Shore Boulevard may be required when the rails are delivered. Paid duty police will direct traffic as required.

TTC Splicing Chambers – Outside of the Spadina Loop Area

Three pre-cast chambers remain to be installed between Lower Simcoe west to Rees Street. The first of these three

splicing chambers, located just west of the Rees/Robertson and Queens Quay intersection was delivered and installed late last week. Backfilling and remediation work to the road surface and area is expected to be completed this week. Crews are now scheduled to start the excavation of the second splicing chamber near the entrance of Ann Tindal Park this week. Construction noise can be expected with this construction.

York Ramp Area

Temporary light poles will be erected this week and modifications to the existing curb and traffic lanes at the York Ramp will continue. Bell crews are scheduled to return to complete the installation of a new OPI box after being delayed last week. Final landscape work, including new granite pavers will follow in subsequent weeks. The right turn lane at Queens Quay/York (for northbound traffic onto York) is temporarily closed but right turns will still be permitted.

Queens Quay Terminal Building

Work continues in preparation for the installation of new granite in this area. Last week, construction crews completed the remaining demolition work, and the sub-base bedding preparations for the new granite. This week, crews expect to complete the formation of concrete base structures and will begin pouring concrete.

An alternative pedestrian path has been constructed along the south curb and traffic lane with fast fence and jersey barriers, which allows pedestrians to safely pass the Queens Quay Terminal building. This work has been coordinated and approved by the property management team for 207 Queens Quay.

Queens Quay Granite Sidewalk Installation / Parking Laybys

- *PawsWay/Simcoe WaveDeck*: Last week, crews flipped their work zone and began the demolition and removal of existing pavers near the building and storefront. This work will continue through the week. A pedestrian walkway has been created with access to PawsWay and Williams Cafe maintained from the west side of the front doors (the east side will remain closed). "Open for Business" signs have been posted on the fast fence for the patrons of Williams Café and PawsWay.
- *West of the 208 & 218 Queens Quay driveway*: The newly installed granite pavers in front of 208 Queens Quay have been uncovered now that the polymeric sand has cured and bonded. Crews are now preparing for the construction of a parking layby in front of 218 Queens Quay.
- *North side of Queens Quay (west of Rees Street to the Beer Store)*: Last week, crews continued to lay granite pavers from the Beer Store entrance east to the Rees Street parking lot entrance. Over fifty linear feet of granite has now been laid, and the construction of a new layby for this area, has also started. Last week, Toronto Hydro crews also completed the relocation of a manhole in this area. This week, crews will continue to work on the west side of this entrance, and east to Rees Street. Half of the parking lot entrance (east side) has been closed to accommodate the reconstruction efforts in coordination with Harbourfront Centre. A temporary pedestrian path has been constructed to allow for safe passage along this area.

New Streetlight, Traffic and TTC Pole Foundations

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

- *208 & 218 Queens Quay*: Last week, crews began to pour concrete for the base of the future traffic light controller for this area of Queens Quay. As well, crews continued to pour concrete for the new "cantilevered" streetlight footings. This week, work will continue west, towards Lower Simcoe where crews will install the remaining caissons for street poles. Crews are also pouring concrete for the removable tree trench covers in this area. Pedestrian access will be maintained around the work area.
- *Peter Slip Bridge west to Lower Spadina*: Crews will continue to place pole foundations required for the new TTC, streetlight and traffic poles in this area.

Storm and Sanitary Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p>Bay to York: The installation of the main sanitary line to the east side of York Street is now complete. Remaining work in this area is associated with tie-ins, removals, and restoration of the temporary road surface.</p>		<p>Construction noise should be expected as crews complete the decommissioning and temporary restoration of this area.</p>
<p>Simcoe to Rees: The new sanitary line installation continues at the Radisson Hotel area. Last week crews completed and restored the west half of Robertson (east leg). This week, crews will continue to move west along Queens Quay across the front of the hotel.</p>		<p>Activities and pace are dependent on dewatering. All work is occurring behind jersey barriers/ protective fencing. Construction noise should be expected. The full width of roadway and east leg of Robertson is now reopened for vehicular traffic, but will continue to be one-way only.</p>

Toronto Hydro Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p><i>West of the Yonge Slip:</i> Work on the chamber and duct bank tie-ins in this area was completed last week. Temporary road restorations are expected to be completed by December 9.</p>		<p>Work will occur behind the construction fencing and jersey barriers, currently in place.</p>
<p><i>Bay Street West to York Street:</i> PLP crews will continue work west of Bay on the southside of Queens Quay, near 33 Harbour Square. Last week, crews began trenching (west to east) across the driveway and tunnel entrance of 33 Harbour Square where work will continue this week.</p> <p>Crews are nearing completion of the new cable chamber west of Scotiabank. Temporary road restoration work is expected to be completed by December 8.</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>Access to 33 Harbour Square will be maintained at all times with flagmen and directional barriers. This work has been approved and coordinated with the property management team of 33 Harbour Square.</p>
<p><i>Lower Simcoe/Harbourfront Centre:</i> Crews have completed the new cable chamber in this area. This week, crews will continue trenching activities between cable chambers in this area of Queens Quay.</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>Lower Simcoe to Rees Street:</i> Crews have completed the rebuild of a cable chamber located east of Rabba (north side of Queens Quay). Last week, crews also completed remediation work in this area and began to demobilize.</p>		<p>Some noise can be expected as crews complete these activities.</p>
<p><i>EMS/Fire Station:</i> Trenching activities between the newly installed cable chambers in this area have started and will continue this week.</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> The “roping” of the newly installed conduits and hydro infrastructure has begun and will continue this week.</p>		<p>This work continues behind the construction zone. Some noise should be expected as crews complete the remediation activities.</p>

NOTE! Saturday Work

On Saturday, December 7, weather permitting, Toronto Hydro (PLP) will have a single crew working at:

- The Bay Street and Queens Quay intersection (south side) - trenching activities

For more information, please contact Toronto Hydro’s Customer Operations Representative – Andrea Ramnares at aramnares@torontohydro.com or 416-542-3767.

Telecommunications Work

Last week, Distinct Technical Cable Services crews (the sub-contractor for Rogers, Cogeco, and Allstream) completed the installation of a new cable chamber at the north-east corner of Rees Street and Queens Quay. Crews also began work on the next cable chamber located on the east side of the Beer Store entrance. This week, crews will continue work at this location, as well as various locations along Queens Quay. All work will be performed behind jersey barriers and fast fence with no impacts to pedestrians or vehicular traffic.

TTC Portal

TTC crews are continuing with the water and leak remediation efforts within the Bay Street tunnel. Some noise should be expected from “back-up” truck alarms as they occasionally 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:

- Cleanup and sanitary sewer work will continue east of the York and Queens Quay area.
- The rebuild of the Spadina TTC Loop will continue. Northbound traffic will continue to be closed on Lower Spadina (between Queens Quay and Lake Shore).
- Preparations and excavation 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 will begin.
- Granite installation is expected to begin at Queens Quay Terminal.
- Granite installation will continue at Rees Parking Lot
- Landscape work will continue in front of PawsWay and Simcoe Slip.
- Construction of sanitary and storm services will continue at Rees.
- TTC pole installations will continue from Spadina to Yo Yo Ma

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 or for urgent construction issues, contact Robert Pasut, Eastern Construction - (416) 505-3073.