



CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #132 Queens Quay Revitalization

January 17, 2015 to January 23, 2015

CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Temporary Spadina Northbound Closure Week of January 19

Preparations for the demolition, removal and re-build of the old roadway at the northeast corner of Lower Spadina and Queens Quay is now complete. This work will begin next week, and will require the closure of the northbound traffic lanes from Queens Quay for a one week period (weather permitting). Northbound traffic may use Dan Leckie or Bathurst St. The construction of the concrete curb cradles along the south side of the 410 Queens Quay property will also be formed at this time.

During this work, the east-west pedestrian crossing on the north side of Queens Quay at Lower Spadina and Queens Quay will be closed. Pedestrians wishing to cross east-west are asked to use the south side of Queens Quay or the Spadina/Lake Shore Blvd intersection.

Bay Street Intersection Landscape Work Continues

Last week crews continued with the landscaping work for the Bay and Queens Quay intersection – starting with the east side of the intersection. Crews have mobilized to the northeast and southeast corners to prepare for the granite curbs, sidewalks and paleo-tech pavers required as part of the intersection design. Crews have now installed fast fence and created a safe east-west pedestrian diversion around the work area to allow demolition and removals to occur. Generators and ground heaters are being utilized to assist working crews with ground removals and preparations. Pedestrians are required to use the west side of the intersection in order to cross north-south during this work.

Advance Notice: Temporary Harbour Square Driveway (at Bay Street) Closure – Week of January 26

Preparations are underway for the construction of the granite promenade in front of the Harbour Square driveway at Bay Street. During this construction, the driveway at Bay Street will be temporarily closed. There will be no impact to the 33 Harbour Square service driveway or the 55/65 or 77/99 driveways. A special notice for Harbour Square residents and visitors will be issued next week.

Jersey Barrier Removals Complete

Last week, the excess concrete jersey barriers which were stockpiled at the Rees Street (north of Queens Quay) and the Music Garden (south of the TTC Corridor) areas were removed from site via flatbed trailers.

Weekend Work: 390 Queens Quay

Poor weather conditions earlier this week impacted the rebuild of the roadway along the front of 390 Queens Quay. Crews will work on the roadway in front of Maple Leaf Quay / Shoppers Drug Mart this weekend in order to complete the work and re-open the laneway by the end of next week.

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Granite Sidewalk East of York Ramp

Crews began to excavate and remove a small section of concrete sidewalk just east of the York ramp to accommodate the installation of the streetlight conduits in this area. Once the excavations are complete, crews will prepare the sub-base in advance of installing new granite pavers that will connect to the previously completed sections of granite sidewalks in this area. An asphalt pedestrian diversion is in place to allow safe passage around the construction area.

Harbour Square Area: Granite, Martin Goodman Trail and Roadwork

Last week, crews completed the majority of the granite paver installation at the 33 Harbour Square / Bay Street area. This week, crews will complete the curb area that circles the large tree in southwest corner near the 33 Harbour Square entrance. Crews will also continue working on the placement of granite and paleotech pavers in the area of York Quay Fine Foods west to York Street. A pedestrian diversion path has been created on the completed portion of the future Martin Goodman Trail to allow pedestrians to safely pass working crews.

Queens Quay Granite Promenade/Sidewalks

- *Bay Street:* Last week, crews completed the rebar and forming for the pole foundations at the north-west corner of the Bay and Queens Quay intersection. The demolition of a small portion of the existing sidewalk in this area will follow in subsequent weeks, weather permitting. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times. The TTC bus stop in front of 10/20 Bay Street has been moved just north of Harbour Street to accommodate this construction work.
- *Harbourfront Centre to Ann Tindal:* This week, crews will continue to work on the construction of the promenade under the protective cover of the large tent adjacent the Bill Boyle Artport building. Pedestrians traveling east-west are now diverted to use the recently paved Martin Goodman Trail as a safe diversion path past this work area.
- *250/260/270 Queens Quay:* This week, crews will continue west towards Rees Street with the installation of the granite pavers. This work is being undertaken under the white protective tents. The scheduled completion of this portion of the public realm space is expected to occur in early February, at which point the crews will “flip” back to the west side of the Rees Parkette and begin the demolition of the sidewalk space past 250 Queens Quay properties.
- *Rees Street intersection:* The installation of granite pavers from the curb area of the Rees intersection up to the public washroom is now scheduled to resume this April.
- *EMS Driveway to Peter Slip Bridge:* Last week, crews completed the sub-base preparations and steel edging for the new granite pavers. The installation of the pavers for this area is scheduled to begin at the end of this month - January.
- *Maple Leaf Quay:* Crews will resume work on the sub-base for the new granite pavers near the 350 Queens Quay property and the steps leading to the Maple Leaf Quay Basin in early March.
- *401 Queens Quay/Spadina WaveDeck:* Last week, due to inclement weather conditions, PLP crews were unable to undertake the minor repair work on a Toronto Hydro cable chamber – this work is now expected to be complete by the end of this week, weather permitting. When PLP work is complete, Eastern Construction crews will return to resume the sub-base preparations and installation of silva cells in this area. A diversion pedestrian path has been created for this work to continue. Pedestrians may pass under the colonnade using the 401 Queens Quay staircase – or may use a fully accessible pedestrian diversion located south through HTO Park West along the water’s edge and north along the Spadina Slip.

Landscape Work West of Spadina

Last week, the fast fence was moved south to the newly poured concrete curbs. This widened the pedestrian paths past the Kings Landing condominiums. Four tree pits will remain fenced off until then spring when the new trees will be planted in this area. This week, crews will continue with the placement of the salvaged granite tiles near the entrance to the Kings Landing residences following City standards. This work is scheduled to be completed by the end of January, weather permitting.

Martin Goodman Trail

- *York Street to Queens Quay Terminal west driveway:* Last week, crews continued with the remediation and replacement of soil cells that were damaged by another contractor. Crews have removed the concrete lids over the damaged silva soil cells and continued to “dry-vac” the soil composition out from the area. The removal of soil is expected to be completed in the next two weeks, weather permitting. This soil will be stored and reused once the infrastructure has been repaired. A pedestrian diversion is in place for pedestrians across the front of the Queens Quay Terminal building.
- *Radisson Hotel Area:* Crews have completed the concrete covers over the soil cells across the front of the hotel. This week, crews expect to complete the installation of steel edging and metal tree rings. Granite paver installation through this area is schedule to start in early February. Fast fence is currently in place along the property line, allowing for pedestrian access through this area.
- *West of Rees Street:* Last week, crews completed the demolition and removals of the old roadway (south of the TTC corridor). Crews also began the excavations for the installation of soil cells in this area, and will continue moving west this week. There will no impact to the TTC, westbound traffic, or pedestrians travelling through this area while this work is in progress.
- *Peter Slip Bridge to Spadina WaveDeck:* Last week, crews resumed work using ground heaters to support the construction of concrete covers for the soil cells west of the Peter Slip / HTO Park West to the 401 Queens Quay driveway. Concrete work will continue this week, weather permitting. A pedestrian detour through HTO Park West in in place. Heavy rubber mats have now been placed on the Spadina Wavedeck for safe pedestrian passage past this construction area. We apologize for the inconvenience.

New Roadway Construction Underway

- *Bay to RBC:* The section of old roadway from the RBC west entrance west to York Street has been removed and the concrete road base has been poured. The catch basin heights within this section of roadway have also been adjusted. Excavations of the section of roadway west of Bay Street, past the 10/20 Bay and the new RBC Centre, is expected to begin at the end of January. Crews will work on the north side curb lane (westbound lane) first. When it is complete and opened the new eastbound lane will be built. The timing for this work has been coordinated with Oxford Properties and Ellis-Don.
- *390 and 410 Queens Quay:* Crews will begin the rebuild of the new roadway at the northeast corner of Spadina / Queens Quay during the week of January 19. Poor weather conditions last week impacted the rebuild of the roadway along the front of 390 Queens Quay. The west laneway, adjacent Shoppers Drug Mart will remain closed this week to accommodate the completion of this work. The east driveway at 350 Queens Quay (Beer Store) will remain open at all times. Crews have created a pedestrian diversion path adjacent to the Shoppers Drug Mart. The laneway will re-open and the pedestrian diversion fencing will be removed by end of week.
- *West of Lower Spadina:* Last week, crews continued with the build of the two islands that form the east-bound Queens Quay “traffic cross-over.” The construction of these concrete islands will continue over the next few weeks with the forming and placement of rebar prior to concrete pour, weather permitting and aid of ground heaters and generators.

Toronto Hydro

Work is currently underway in several locations:

- *York Street:* PLP crews are nearing the completion of trenching from west to east at York and Queens Quay and the associated connections to new cable chambers. Crews expect to finalize this work in the next two weeks, weather permitting.

- Rees/Queens Quay: The new cable chamber at the southwest corner of this intersection (in front of Harbourfront Sailing) has been completed. PLP crews also completed the chamber at the southeast corner (Tim Hortons). Last week, PLP crews began the east-west trenching for the duct banks connecting these new chambers. This work continues this week.

More Information:

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