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### **CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #3: Queens Quay West Optimizations**

#### ***Background***

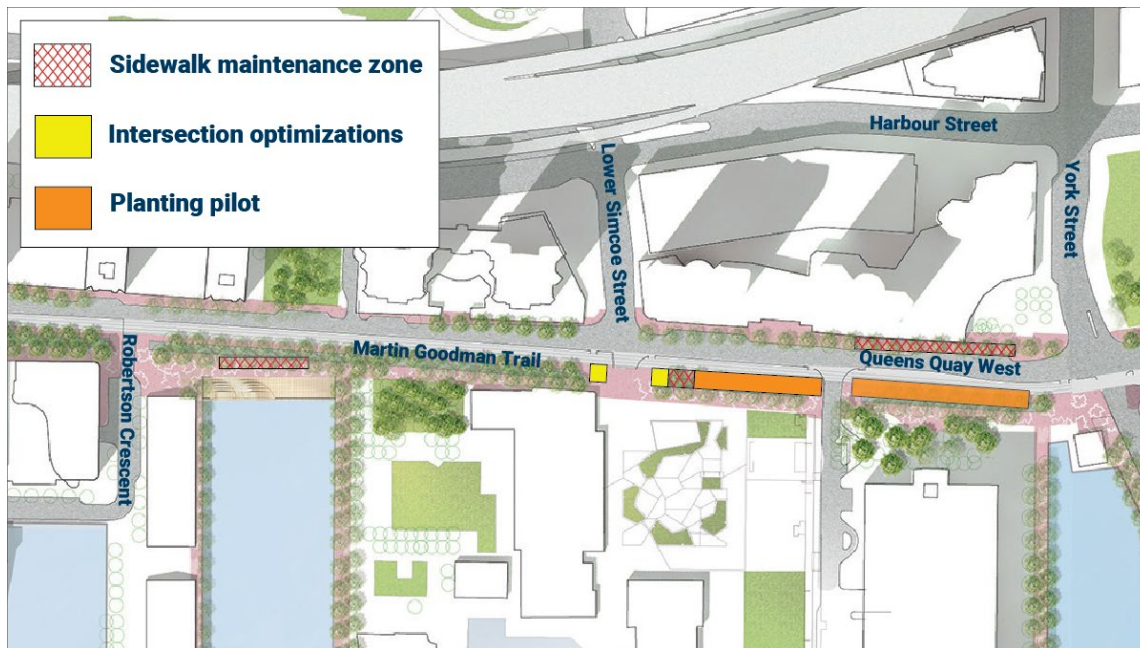
In June 2015, Waterfront Toronto reopened the revitalized Queens Quay West. Since then, we have continued to observe pedestrians, cyclists and vehicle traffic on the street and have also received feedback from members of the public. Through this feedback certain improvements to the public realm and optimizations of Queens Quay West have been identified. Waterfront Toronto will be undertaking this work beginning in March 2022.

- Intersection Optimizations: Two intersections along Queens Quay West – Queens Quay and Bay Street, and Queens Quay and Lower Simcoe Street – will undergo improvements to more clearly delineate areas for cyclists and pedestrians. Improvements include extending asphalt sections of the Martin Goodman Trail through the intersections, extending pedestrian crosswalk markings to the south edge of the Martin Goodman Trail and relocating pedestrian crossing signal buttons south of the Martin Goodman Trail.
- Planting Pilot: Between Lower Simcoe Street and York Street, vegetation will be planted around TTC streetcar platforms to create a protective buffer zone between the streetcar right-of-way and pedestrian traffic.
- Sidewalk Maintenance (Granite Pavers): Geotechnical investigations will be undertaken to review and resolve paver settlement along the north and south sides of the Queens Quay public promenade between York Street and Lower Simcoe Street, and along the south side of the public promenade near Robertson Crescent at the Simcoe WaveDeck.
- Bay Street Curb Realignment: the northeast corner curb, at Queens Quay West and Bay Street, will be realigned to increase the turning radius. This will prevent buses and large trucks from mounting the curb when turning north onto Bay Street.

Work began in March 2022 and is expected to be completed by the end of June 2022. Construction crews will return to complete an outstanding piece of work once backordered supplies are available.

#### ***Updates***

- Construction manager, UCC Group, has begun sidewalk maintenance on the north and south sides of the Queens Quay public promenade between York Street and Lower Simcoe Street, and near Robertson Crescent at the Simcoe WaveDeck. The paver settlement issue is being resolved and the granite pavers will be put back in place. This portion of the construction is expected to be completed by the end of June 2022.



*Construction areas along Queens Quay West for sidewalk maintenance, intersection optimizations and a planting pilot, between Robertson Crescent and York Street.*

### ***What to expect***

While sidewalk maintenance on the Queens Quay public promenade is being completed, construction fencing will be installed around work sites. Sidewalk maintenance on any one portion of the sidewalk is expected to take between approximately 1 to 3 days to complete. As maintenance is completed, construction crews will move fencing and start sidewalk maintenance on a new portion of the promenade. All sidewalk maintenance is expected to be completed by the end of June 2022.

Waterfront Toronto is working with construction manager, UCC Group, to reduce the construction fencing footprint where possible. We are also working to ensure that both the public promenade and Martin Goodman Trail are not obstructed in any one place at the same time.

Pedestrians travelling through the area will be able to travel around work sites with minimal disruption to their route and should follow sidewalk detour signs posted on site.

Moderate noise from construction equipment can be expected as well as a minimal increase in construction vehicle traffic.

### ***Project Partners***

Project delivery: Waterfront Toronto

Construction manager: UCC Group



## QUESTIONS

Please send your questions to [info@waterfrontoronto.ca](mailto:info@waterfrontoronto.ca).

For more information about this work, please refer to this [blog post](#).

Previous construction notices: [March 8, 2022](#) and [May 27, 2022](#)