

Gerrard Street East TTC Track Reconstruction 2006

TTC Preliminary Rail Welding on Gerrard Street East Monday March 27th to Monday April 3rd

Beginning Monday April 3rd and continuing to early June 2006, the City of Toronto and the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) will be replacing the streetcar tracks on Gerrard Street East from Coxwell Avenue to Enderby Road (just west of Main Street). Roadway and sidewalk replacement will also take place where required. During the project, a part of the **506 and 306 Carlton** streetcar route will be affected. The **92 Woodbine South** bus route will also be impacted for a short time. The track on this streetcar route has been identified as a high priority replacement due to rail age and declining structural conditions.

Preliminary Work – Rail Welding and Storage

Preliminary rail preparations are required by the TTC in advance of the April 3rd start date of the track reconstruction project (excavation).

A rail welding crew will occupy the two (2) centre lanes on Gerrard Street, between Main Street and Malvern Avenue, to weld standard lengths of rail into longer strings (March 27th to April 3rd). The rail strings will be stored in these two centre lanes in front of the Ted Reeve Arena. This preliminary welding work will allow for faster track installation, thereby reducing the length of construction disruption to the community.

Three construction trailers will be located at the northwest corner of Main and Gerrard Streets and will remain until the end of the track project.

Traffic and Parking Restrictions during Rail Welding

The curb lanes in both directions will be maintained for traffic within the welding zones. Kimberley Avenue, Osborne Avenue and Wayland Avenue will have “no left turn” restrictions imposed. A police officer will be on site during the working hours of the preliminary work to assist with traffic and pedestrian movement at the pedestrian crosswalk between Osborne Avenue and Wayland Avenue.

Work Hours

The rail welding operation will largely occur between the hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., however some work later in the evening may be required to support this daytime operation. Efforts will be made to minimize noise during overnight rail delivery.



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Transit Services

Changes to the 135 Gerrard bus route will not be required during this stage.

Traffic and Parking Restrictions during Track Excavation

Beginning April 3rd, excavation of tracks is scheduled to begin at two locations on Gerrard Street East: 1) Coxwell Avenue and 2) Woodbine Avenue. Construction will proceed eastward from both locations.

Effective April 3rd, traffic on Gerrard Street East, from Coxwell Avenue to Enderby Road will be restricted to one lane **westbound only**. As construction progresses eastward from both locations, Gerrard Street will be made available to on-street parking, local traffic and driveway access on the south side.

For TTC related matters during the project:

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Diego Sinagoga (Construction related matters)	416-393-2197
24 hours – (automated 6 p.m. to 8 a.m.)	TTC Service Updates, Routes, Schedules	416-393-4636
Monday to Sunday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Hearing-Impaired Service (TTY)	416-481-2523
Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	TTC Customer Services	416-393-3030
TTC Website:	www.ttc.ca	

For a project overview, timelines, commercial delivery inquiries and frequently asked questions see:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Josie Giordano City of Toronto	416-338-2859
24 hours	Public Consultation Comment Line	416-397-7777
City of Toronto Project Website:	www.toronto.ca/involved	

NOTE: Construction and transit details will be provided through advance notification flyers as work on the project progresses.

All timelines are contingent upon weather conditions and/or any other unforeseen events

