Information Frequently Asked Questions

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Streetscaping on Queen Street West From Bathurst Street to Spadina Avenue

When will construction start?

Construction will begin in early Summer, 2017.

Work will take place from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required. On Denison Avenue and Ryerson Avenue, work will take place from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.

How will the work be completed?

The sidewalk improvements will be completed block by block in approximately 50 metre sections. The total length of construction is 750 metres.

How will the sidewalk be constructed?

The contractor will begin by breaking concrete and removing the old sidewalk. Next, the outside building wall at below ground level will be waterproofed. Concrete will then be poured for the new sidewalk.





Sidewalk before concrete is poured.

Ramps provided for business access.

Will access to businesses/ properties be maintained during sidewalk reconstruction?

Except for few hours when concrete is poured, access to businesses will be maintained at all times

during construction. When required, fencing openings and board-coverings will be provided at business entrances. Wooden ramps will be provided for access when the sidewalk is being constructed beside business/apartment doorways.

Will pedestrians be able to walk along Queen Street West during the construction?

Yes, pedestrians will be able to walk along Queen Street West during construction. The contractor will install pedestrian safety fencing that will be six-feet tall, separating the construction zone from the pedestrian walkway.

What happens to deliveries and waste collection? *Deliveries:* Delivery trucks are allowed to the work limits at all ends. Curb lanes and laneways will be



Pedestrian walkway and pedestrian safety fencing at 1.8 metres high, separating the construction zone.

accessible for delivery and service vehicles. Business owners should contact the Project Manager or on-site inspector and inform them when deliveries will be made. It should also be noted that delays when delivering may be experienced.

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Waste Collection: Businesses/residents should follow the normal schedule/routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. Please label your bins with your address.

How will TTC streetcar service on Queen Street West be affected?

Streetcars were replaced by shuttle buses along the entire Queen Street route on May 7 to permit several construction projects to begin.

TTC Queen Service: The **501L/301L** Queen shuttle buses are providing service between Long Branch Loop in the west end and Neville Park Loop in the east end running via Lake Shore Boulevard, Windermere Avenue, The Queensway and Queen Street. The **501P** Queen shuttle buses are providing service between Park Lawn Loop and Neville Park Loop running via Park Lawn Road, The Queensway and Queen Street.

Streetcars will resume normal service along this portion of Queen Street on September 3, 2017.

Please visit <u>www.ttc.ca</u> for more information.

Will on-street parking be removed?

Yes, there will be no on-street parking on Queen Street between Bathurst and Spadina, within the work zone. Green P parking lots will remain accessible and available for use during this construction.

What will the parkettes feature?

The new parkettes will transform former paved surfaces into vibrant green spaces. The designs currently include seating, large canopy trees, perennial plantings, bike parking, integrated public art, water bottle filling station and the infrastructure for a future WI-FI connection.

Will new trees be added?

Yes, there will be 15 new trees added along Queen Street West.

What public art projects are included and where will they be installed?

The goal is to incorporate public art as Integrated Art Pieces (i.e. Bike rings, seating). To accomplish this, the public artists worked within a selected material palette to ensure the pieces, while unique in concept or content, is still cohesive in material with the overall design of the revitalized streetscape.

There are street events throughout the summer. What impact will the construction have on these street events?

The sidewalk reconstruction and streetscaping will not affect street events. Businesses on Queen Street West will remain open during the construction and during these street events as well. Pedestrians may need to plan their way around Queen Street West differently during this time. The street events taking place on or near Queen Street West are:

- NXNE (June 16-25)
- MMVAs (June 25)
- Pride (June 23-25)
- Canada 150 (June 30-July 2)
- Soundtrack of The City (July 6-8)
- Caribana (Aug 3-7)
- SummerWorks (Aug 3-17)
- Open Mic Festival (Aug 14-20)
- Singer-Songwriter Festival (Aug 21-27).