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Watermain Replacement on Richmond Street West from Bathurst Street to York Street

Contract: 19ECS-TI-10SP

Expected Start Date: Week of July 22, 2019

Expected End Date: Summer 2020

**Content/Date is subject to change. Future notice to be provided.*

This summer, the City of Toronto will replace the 143-year-old watermain and the City-owned portion of substandard water services on Richmond Street West between Bathurst Street to York Street. The work will be completed in two phases as outlined below.

The water service is the underground pipe that brings water to your water meter and is owned by you and by the City. The part you own is from your house to the end of your property, the part the City owns is from the end of your property to the watermain.

The project will include a partial reconstruction of some sidewalks and restoring the road and cycle track. This project is part of the Council-approved 2019 Capital Works Program to renew our aging infrastructure, improve water distribution and reduce the risk of watermain breaks.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD WATER SERVICES





If you have a property on Richmond Street between Bathurst and York Street that was built before the mid-1950s, your water service may be made of lead. Please read the attached fact sheet with important information about the risks of lead in drinking water, especially if someone in your house is pregnant, there are children under six years old, or there is an infant drinking formula made using tap water.










WORK DETAILS

Phase/Dates/Location	Work	Traffic Management
<p>Phase 1 July to December 2019 Bathurst Street to Spadina Avenue</p>	<p>Crews will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dig a trench and replace the watermain • Replace the City-owned section of the water service • Restore areas affected by construction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic will be reduced to one shared lane for vehicles and bicycles through the work zone <p>During Phase 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyclists may use the single lane on Richmond Street and travel single file with vehicles, OR • Detour south using the Peter Street cycle track to King Street West, then use King Street West to travel to Bathurst Street. • Phase 2 detour information will be provided in an update.

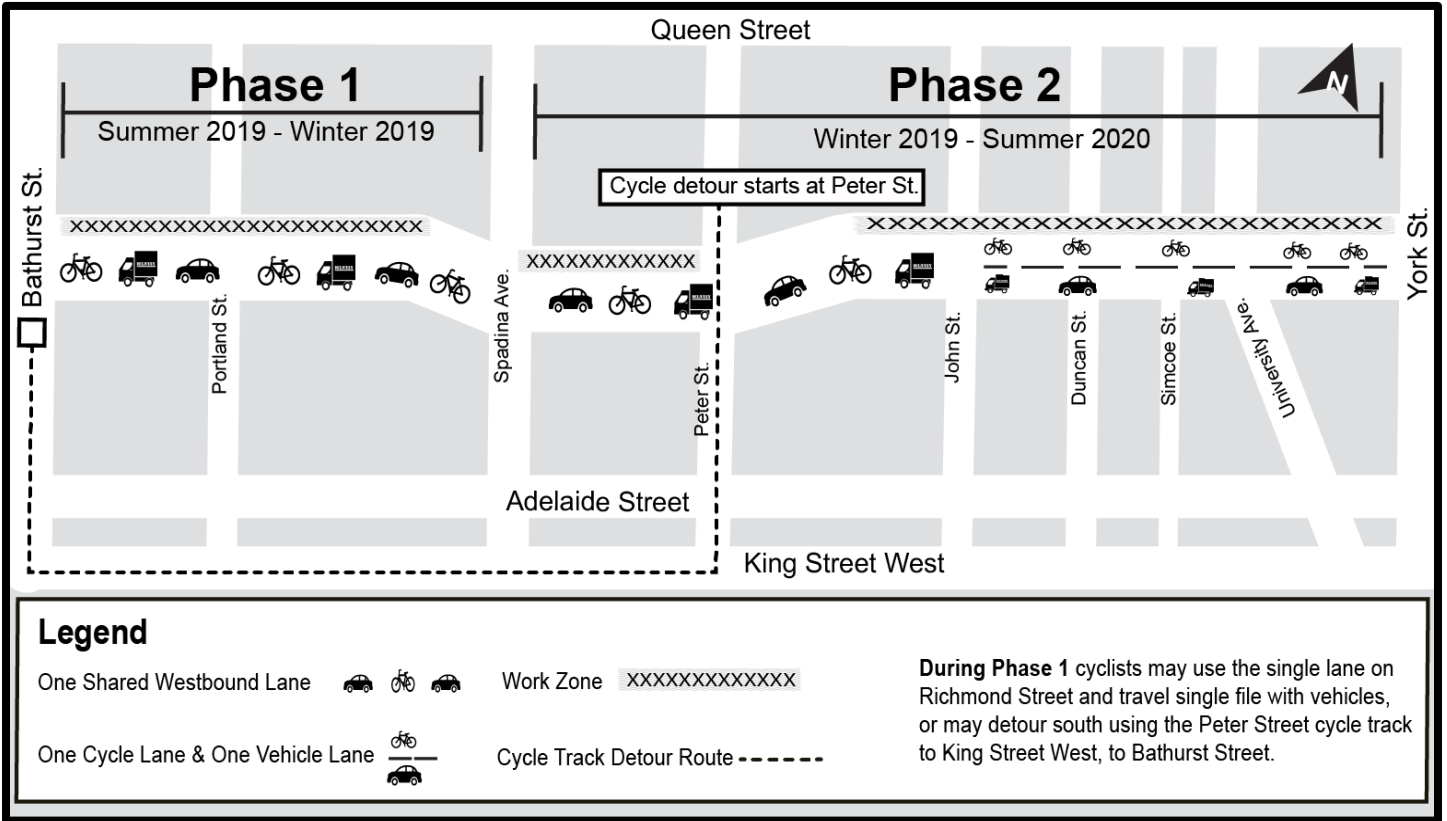
WHAT TO EXPECT BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

- Work crews will mark the locations of underground utilities, such as gas, water and cable so that the construction work does not interfere with these utilities.
- Work in the boulevard in front of homes and commercial properties is expected. This work includes removing and replacing driveways, municipal sidewalks and grassed boulevards, where necessary.
- Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard), such as landscaping and or decorative objects before work starts. If you have a sprinkler system within the boulevard, please email or call the contact listed below.

	<p>Substandard Water Service Replacement: Please read the attached fact sheet as it contains important information about lead in drinking water and water service replacement. First, you need to find out if your water service is lead – a licensed plumber can help you with this. If it is lead, the City of Toronto encourages you to replace it. We recommend you obtain several quotes and you can contact the City's contractor for one of your quotes. Approximately two weeks prior to construction, you will receive a "Construction Notice" with the name and phone number of the City contractor. Learn more at www.toronto.ca/leadpipes</p>
	<p>Access to Your Home: The City-hired contractor may need access to your home to complete a pre-construction survey. Affected properties will receive a pre-construction survey request to schedule a time to complete the survey.</p>
	<p>Traffic Management: Efforts have been made to manage traffic in the area for the safety of workers, road users and residents. Road users should continue to obey all posted traffic signage.</p> <p>Bicycles and cars will travel single-file through the construction zone.</p>
	<p>Parking: There will be NO parking within the active work zone during construction. Vehicles will be towed Please contact Toronto Police Service for the location of your vehicle at 416-808-2222.</p> <p>In the event you receive a traffic ticket for on-street parking during this period of construction, you may choose to dispute your ticket following the process listed on the reverse side of the parking infraction notice. <i>You may use this notice as part of your defence for parking consideration during construction; however, the Public Consultation Unit staff do not have the authority to cancel any parking tickets</i></p>

	<p>Work Hours: Work will take place from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., Monday to Friday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays or Sundays as required.</p>
  	<p>Road and Sidewalk Access: In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the construction work zone. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p> <p>Driveway Access: The contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p> <p>Accessible Accommodation: Residents who require accommodation should contact staff to arrange for access during construction through the contact below</p>
	<p>Cyclists: During construction the cycle track will be temporarily removed through the work zone. Signs for cyclists and drivers will be posted directing both road users to share the one lane of westbound traffic, single file through the work zone.</p>
	<p>Transit Service: This project will affect travel times on the 145 Downtown /Humber Bay Express route that travels along Richmond Street. Visit ttc.ca for accurate schedule.</p>
	<p>Deliveries: Businesses may want to consider adjusting delivery times as a result of the lane restrictions during this project.</p>
	<p>Garbage & Recycling: Please follow your normal routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. <u>Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.</u></p>
	<p>Businesses: Richmond Street businesses will be open throughout construction. All are welcome.</p>

MAP OF WORK AREA – PHASE 1



NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us.

Public Consultation Unit	Paul Martin 416-392-3074, downtownconstructionprojects@toronto.ca
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General inquiries	311

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