

July 20, 2020

Bikeway Installation on Bloor Street West from Shaw Street to Runnymede Road

Installation Timeline: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 to End of August, 2020*

**Timeline is weather dependent and subject to change.*

The City of Toronto will install the Bloor West Bikeway Extension starting on Tuesday, August 4th. The street changes are intended to improve safety and comfort for all road users, and include the installation of cycle tracks (protected bike lanes). This project is part of the City Council-approved Cycling Network Plan to connect, grow and renew cycling routes across Toronto. Consultation on the project took place in 2019 through flyers, drop-in business events and survey, drop-in public event and survey, and a project website. The Bloor West Bikeway Extension was approved by Toronto City Council in May 2020.

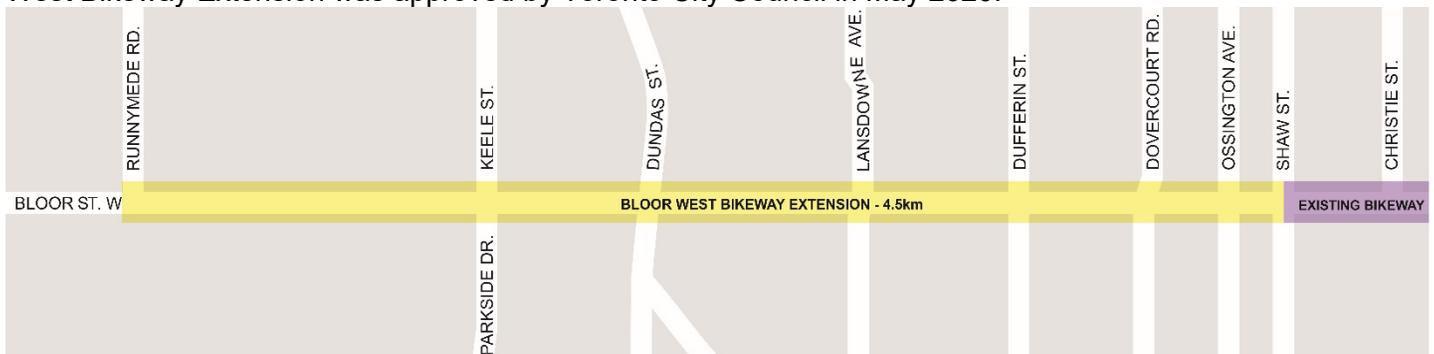


Figure: Bloor West Bikeway Extension project limits



Figure: Bloor West Bikeway Extension rendering in Bloor West Village

THE INSTALLATION WILL INCLUDE

- **Cycle tracks (protected bicycle lanes)** on both sides of Bloor St W from Shaw St. to Runnymede Rd.
- **Temporary expanded patios** (where parking will remain) for restaurants along corridor that have received approval through the City's CaféTO program ([Toronto.ca/CafeTO](https://toronto.ca/CafeTO)). The temporary July CaféTO curb lane patios will be removed by the end of Monday, August 3rd, in conjunction with the cycle track installation.
- **24/7 on-street parking** on both sides of the street from Runnymede Rd. to Dundas St. W., and on one side of the street from St. Helen's Ave. to Shaw St. Changes to parking and other by-laws will be signed.
- **One traffic lane in each direction will be maintained** with no stopping in the travel lanes.
- **Turn restrictions at signalized intersections** to improve safety and mobility for all users.
- **Access to all driveways and laneways will be maintained.**
- **City services such as Fire, EMS and garbage and recycling pick-up will continue as usual.**

The installation will take place in two phases. **Phase 1: Shaw St to Dundas St W** and **Phase 2: Dundas St W to Runnymede Rd.** During each phase, on-street parking will not be allowed.

Please visit the project website for details on where parking will remain, the turn restrictions and other details.

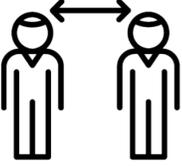
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19 AND CONSTRUCTION WORK IN TORONTO

The Province of Ontario has enacted a declaration of emergency to help contain the spread of COVID-19 and protect the public. City-led infrastructure construction has been deemed essential, and this project will proceed. For more information on the City's response to COVID-19 please visit toronto.ca/covid-19.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

You may experience noise or other inconveniences. The City will make efforts to reduce the impacts. We appreciate your patience. The City is not responsible for damage to privately owned items on City property.

	<p>Work Hours: Work can take place 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with noisy work taking place prior to 11pm, whenever possible.</p>
	<p>Physical Distancing: There are times when contractors may need to communicate with property owners about driveway access. Contractor's staff will be identifiable by their high-visibility clothing.</p> <p>Where possible, a phone number for a contact person on-site will be provided on notices, to answer questions about work near your property. Please practice physical distancing with workers so everyone can remain safe. If you have questions, call the contact provided on this notice.</p>
	<p>Road and Sidewalk Access: One traffic lane per direction will be maintained during construction. Sidewalks will remain accessible and pedestrians will be safely detoured around the work area.</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>Emergency Services: Emergency services such as Fire and EMS continue as usual.</p>
	<p>Parking: During each installation phase, on-street parking on both sides of the street will be temporarily unavailable until new road markings and signs are in place.</p> <p>Parking in the active work zone is not permitted as space is needed for construction equipment and materials. If your parked vehicle affects construction work, it will be relocated with no charge to the owner. Please call 416-808-6600.</p>
	<p>Parking Violation Notice: In an effort to reduce ticketing due to construction, the City encourages communities with construction to be patient as neighbours may need to temporarily relocate vehicles. If enforcement is called, enforcement must issue a yellow parking violation notice (ticket). If you receive a yellow notice during this construction work, do the following within 15 days of the notice date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contact the City of Toronto using the phone or email below and give them the yellow notice number. 2. Dispute the parking violation notice online or in person, following the process listed on the reverse side of the parking violation notice. <p>You may use this construction notice as part of the explanation of why the violation should be cancelled. Please note: that violation notices cannot be cancelled if vehicles are parked in illegal parking spots (e.g. in front of a fire hydrant or in no parking zones).</p>
	<p>Accessible Accommodation: Residents who require accommodation should contact staff to arrange for access during construction through the contact below.</p>
	<p>Garbage & Recycling: Please follow your normal routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.</p>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Points of Contact	Contact Information
City of Toronto	416-338-3033, BloorWestBikeway@toronto.ca
Urgent on-site requests only	Day: 416-688-8924 Night: 416-678-3997
General inquiries	311
Website	toronto.ca/BloorWestBikeway
City of Toronto COVID-19 Information	toronto.ca/covid-19

Thank you for your patience. Building a great city takes time. Better infrastructure is worth the wait.