

Monday, July 6, 2020

Installation of the Danforth Avenue Complete Street Pilot from Broadview Avenue to Dawes Road

Installation Date: Wednesday July 15 – August 10, 2020*

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

The City of Toronto will install a new complete street pilot on Danforth Avenue from Broadview Avenue to Dawes Road starting in mid-July. This will include:

- **Cycle tracks (protected bicycle lanes)** on both sides of the street.
- **Temporary expanded patios** (in the curb lane) for restaurants along the corridor that have applied and received approval through the City's CafÉTO program (Learn more: Toronto.ca/cafeto). The protected bike lanes will temporarily bend around the expanded curb lane patio and parking will be temporarily removed.
- **24/7 on-street parking** on both sides of Danforth Avenue.
- **Artistic curb extensions** to beautify the street and improve pedestrian safety at key intersections.

The installation will take place in three phases:

- Phase 1 : Broadview Avenue to Jones Avenue
- Phase 2 : Jones Avenue to Woodbine Avenue
- Phase 3: Woodbine Avenue to Dawes Road

Work will take place 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and will be limited to one side of roadway (north or south) at a time. One traffic lane will be maintained in each direction. During each phase, on-street parking will not be allowed.

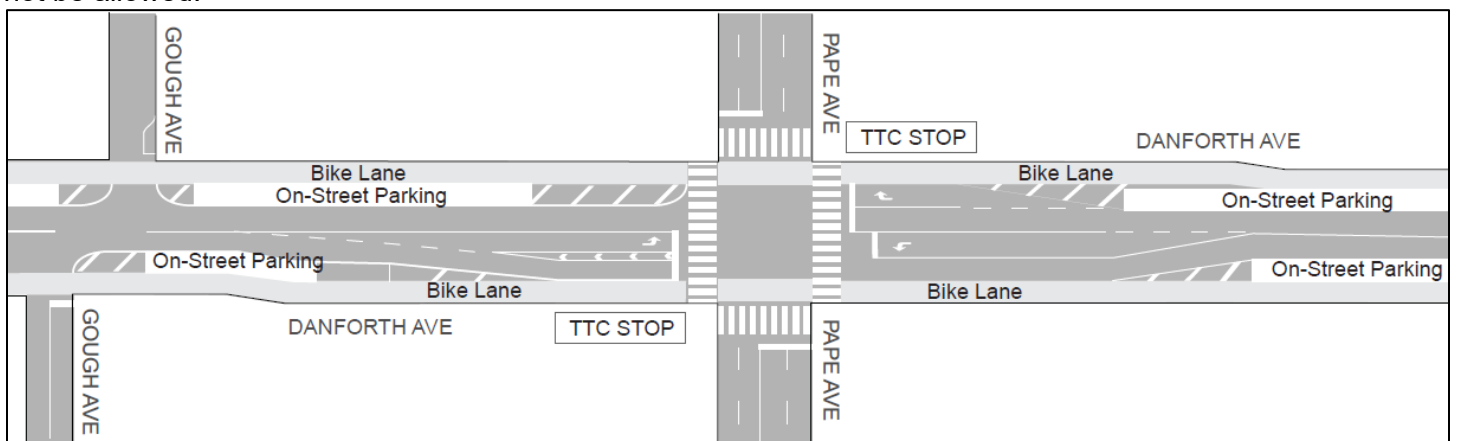


Figure: Design of complete street pilot installation from Gough Avenue to east of Pape Ave. Design does not show expanded curb lane patio modifications. For additional design details, visit Toronto Danforth Study.

ABOUT THE PILOT

In May 2020, Council approved the installation of the Destination Danforth Complete Street Pilot as part of the City's Pandemic Mobility Recovery Strategy. The pilot will provide support for local businesses by providing expanded outdoor patio areas and street beautification (planters, art installations), improve safety and comfort for all road users, and provide a protected bike lane as an alternative to transit.

The project is part of the overall Danforth Study, which started in 2019 (Toronto Danforth Study). Consultation on the Danforth Study took place in 2019 through two community meetings, online surveys, and two Stakeholder Advisory Committee meetings.


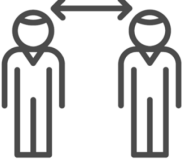





Additional consultation on the pilot was completed through letters, flyers, weekly meetings with Business Improvement Areas and Councillors, a Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting, and through the project website.

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. A list of essential workplaces in Ontario was announced on March 23 and revised on April 3. As indicated on the list, 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 and other inconveniences. The City will make efforts to reduce the impacts. We appreciate your patience. The City will not be responsible for damage to any privately owned items on City property.

	<p>Work Hours: Work will take place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.</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 will continue as usual.</p>
	<p>Parking: During each installation phase, <u>on-street parking on both sides of the street will be temporarily unavailable</u> and until new road markings and new 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 416-407-9571.</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 person listed on the Construction Notice 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. <u>Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.</u></p>
<p>Noise Impacts</p>	<p>You may experience minor noise and other inconveniences. Noisy work will be limited to day time hours as much as possible</p>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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

<p>City of Toronto</p>	<p>416-407-9571, DanforthStudy@toronto.ca</p>
<p>General inquiries</p>	<p>311</p>
<p>Website</p>	<p>toronto.ca/DanforthStudy</p>
<p>City of Toronto COVID-19 Information</p>	<p>toronto.ca/covid-19</p>

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