

October 29, 2021

## Important Notice for Businesses and Residents on Queen Street West Between Spadina Avenue and Bathurst Street (Work Phase 8)

Contract: 21ECS-TI-05SP

Construction on Queen Street West has been progressing west and nearing Spadina Ave. Work continues to be carried out in phases. The contractor has been using a 'rolling' work zone approach throughout this project to minimize the effects on businesses and the public. The City's contractor is currently finishing work between John Street and Spadina Avenue and is expected to open that section of Queen Street West to through traffic by November 6, 2021, weather permitting.

**Work from Bathurst Street to Spadina Avenue is expected to start Monday, November 1, 2021. This section of Queen Street will be closed to vehicles for approximately 3 weeks.** This notice provides important information on what to expect right before, and during construction in your area. More information about the timing and location of the active work zones are communicated via weekly email updates.

We understand this project will have an impact on residents and businesses in the area, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. We sympathize and appreciate your patience with the impacts of this essential construction. Please call 911 if you are in an emergency, immediate danger or medical distress. For other needs, call 211 to be connected to mental health and other social services.

**The City is providing regular email updates throughout construction. Register to receive these updates at: [toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction](https://toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction)**

### BEFORE CONSTRUCTION



**CafeTO:** The City installed signage and barriers to accommodate CafeTO patios along the curb lanes on Queen Street West. At least one week before construction starts on your section of Queen Street West, the contractor (or City inspector) will provide you with the following information:

- The start date of work on your section of Queen Street West. *A note with this information will be posted on your door / window if you cannot be reached.*
- The date when the contractor will remove the curb lane closure materials.
- A date by which you should remove any privately owned patio materials such as built fencing, tables, chairs, umbrellas etc.

Once construction work is completed, the contractor will re-install curb lane closure materials. As such, you can immediately resume operating your patio.

Please share this notice with the property owner or tenants and post in a common area






	<p><b>Items on Sidewalks:</b> The following items will remain on the sidewalk fronting your business: <i>A-frame signs (sandwich boards), seating, and private flower pots / planters.</i></p> <p>The City/TTC will <u>not</u> remove: <i>benches, planters, waste bins, publication boards, bike rings / corrals and transit shelters.</i></p>
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## DURING CONSTRUCTION

Here's what you can expect while construction is taking place. **Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.**

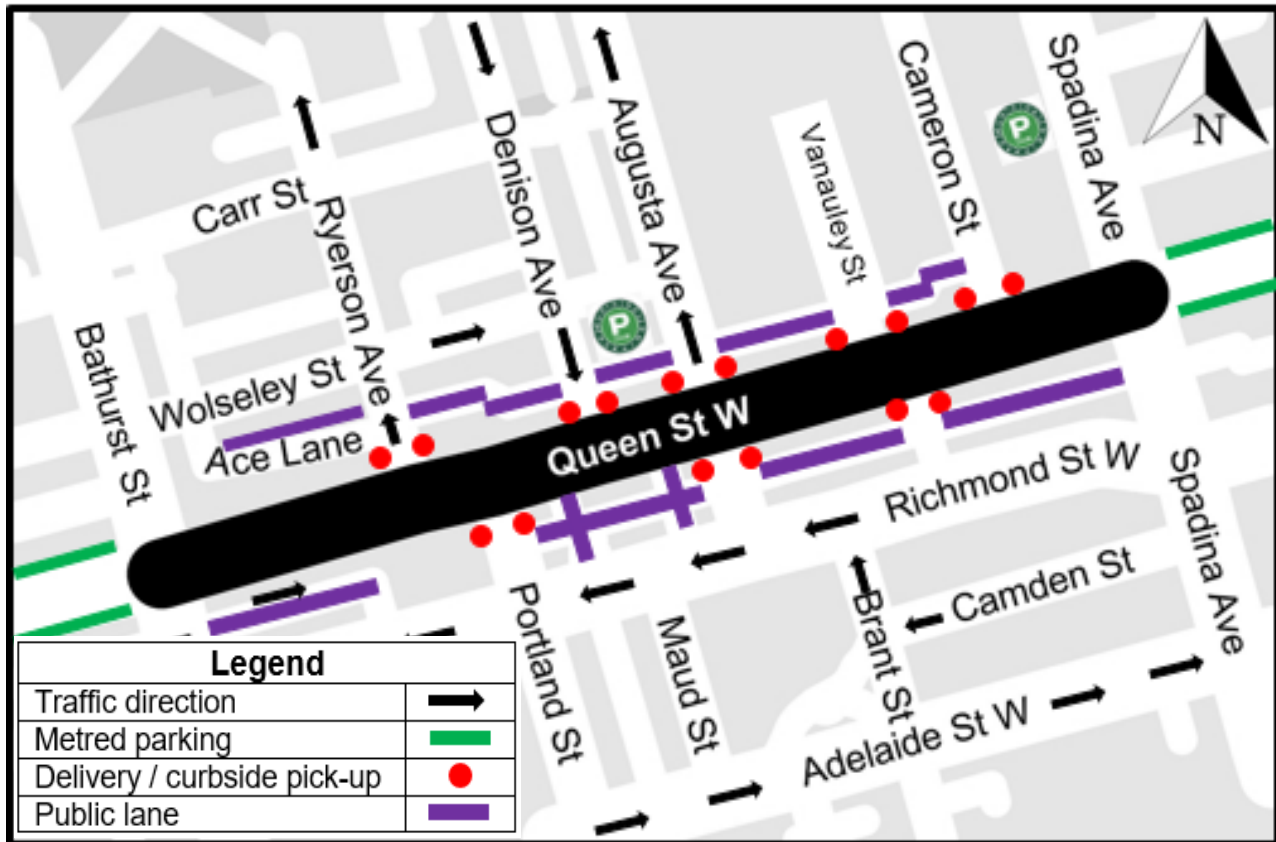
	<p><b>Excavation Activity and Dust:</b> Excavation and heavy breaking will occur at various times throughout the day. <i>All concrete breaking activities will occur between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.</i> Concrete breaking work is the most disruptive and will typically last the first 2-3 days for each section of work. There will be vibration monitoring on-site to ensure work is undertaken within allowable limits, however, we recommend you secure any valuable items. The contractor will work to reduce dust caused by construction.</p> <p><i>The TTC's rail installation phase of this project includes periods of late evening and overnight work and extended weekend hours by TTC crews - moving rail into position, rail installation and rail welding / grinding. After-hours work is required to preserve the integrity of the rail and support daytime construction. <b>Overnight work will be communicated in weekly email updates.</b></i></p>
	<p><b>Laneway and Driveway Access:</b> When the road is closed, driveways and laneways will not be accessible via Queen Street West. If applicable to you, please review the map on page 4 and alert your staff, customers and delivery companies of the suggested alternate routes during construction.</p>
	<p><b>Sidewalk Access:</b> Sidewalks will remain open at all times. In the event of disruption, detour signage will be installed. People cycling should dismount when entering the construction area.</p>
	<p><b>Deliveries and Curbside Pick-up:</b> When the road is closed, deliveries and/or curbside pick-up cannot be accommodated on Queen Street West. The City will install signage designating delivery / pick-up areas at intersecting streets, immediately north and/or south of Queen Street West. Please refer to the map on page 4 for the nearest location to you and alternate access.</p>
	<p><b>Parking:</b> Street parking will <b>not</b> be available on Queen Street West between Spadina Avenue and Bathurst Street during the road closure, but will be reinstated once the contractor moves to the next work phase. Pay and display (metred) parking will be available west and east of the active construction zone, and at intersecting streets. You can also direct customers and/or visitors to the Green P parking lots at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>180 Spadina Avenue</b></li> <li>• <b>15 Denison Avenue</b></li> </ul>



	<p><b>Bike Parking:</b> The City will not remove existing bike rings and racks from the sidewalks along Queen Street West. Please inform your customers and visitors that these facilities will continue to be available during construction.</p>
	<p><b>TTC Service:</b> Buses are currently operating on Queen Street West in place of streetcars. 501/301 Queen buses will be diverted around the road closure/active work zone in the section. Details related to the diversion will be posted at transit stops in advance of the closure for the section. Please inform your customers and visitors of other available nearby routes during this project, i.e. 504/304 King route and 505 Dundas route. <i>The transit diversion in the map is effective November 1 and may change during the rolling road closures.</i></p> <div data-bbox="375 663 1502 1121" data-label="Diagram"> </div> <p>Visit <a href="http://tc.ca">tc.ca</a> for information on routes.</p>
	<p><b>Garbage &amp; Recycling:</b> The City's contractor will be responsible for ensuring your garbage, recycling and green bins are picked up for collection <b>every Thursday</b> throughout construction. The contractor will roll the bins away for collection and will bring them back once emptied to the front of your property on Friday morning. Please follow these steps during construction work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Label all bins with your address</b></li> <li>• <b>Place your bins in front of your property, by the construction fencing by 5:00 p.m. on Thursdays (follow your usual waste / recycling day schedule)</b></li> </ul> <p>In the event that the contractor is not on-site due to inclement weather and does not roll your bins for collection, please do not move the bins, so they can be dealt with the next day.</p> <p>If you do not get your waste collected by the City, please immediately coordinate with your waste collection company to have them collect at an alternate (nearby) location, or contact us for further assistance.</p> <p><i>NOTE: If your bins are not picked up by the City's contractor, or if you missed placing them in front of your property, please contact 311 and mention the ongoing City construction.</i></p>




## MAP OF PHASE 8 WORK



## MORE INFORMATION:

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

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<b>TTY Hearing Impaired Service</b>	416-338-0889 (Daily 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed holidays)
<b>General inquiries</b>	311 (24 hours, 7 days / week)
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction">toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction</a>
 <b>Virtual Trailer Drop-Ins (bi-weekly)</b>	<b>When?</b> Every other Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. <b>Where?</b> Online at: <a href="http://toronto.ca/kqqr">toronto.ca/kqqr</a> , click on 'Get Informed' tile to login, or call: The Project Management team looks forward to answering any questions you may have regarding this project.

**Sign up to receive construction updates:** [toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction](http://toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction)

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