

December 7, 2021

Important Notice for Businesses and Residents on Queen St West from Niagara St to Ossington Ave

Contract: 21ECS-TI-05SP

The City continues to accelerate streetcar track replacement work on Queen Street West in an effort to minimize disruption to area businesses during the holiday season. Crews completed work from Bathurst Street to Niagara Street on December 5, as planned. For the remaining sections of work, shorter work zones will be used, which will close smaller sections of Queen Street West. The contractor is expected to complete all remaining work (Niagara Street to Fennings Street) by December 31, 2021, weather permitting.

Starting the week of December 6 - 10, work will progress in three concurrent work zones:

- From Niagara Street west towards Gore Vale Avenue
- From Shaw Street east towards Strachan Avenue
- From Shaw Street west towards Ossington Avenue

Work at the intersection of Queen Street West and Shaw Street is expected to be complete by December 13.

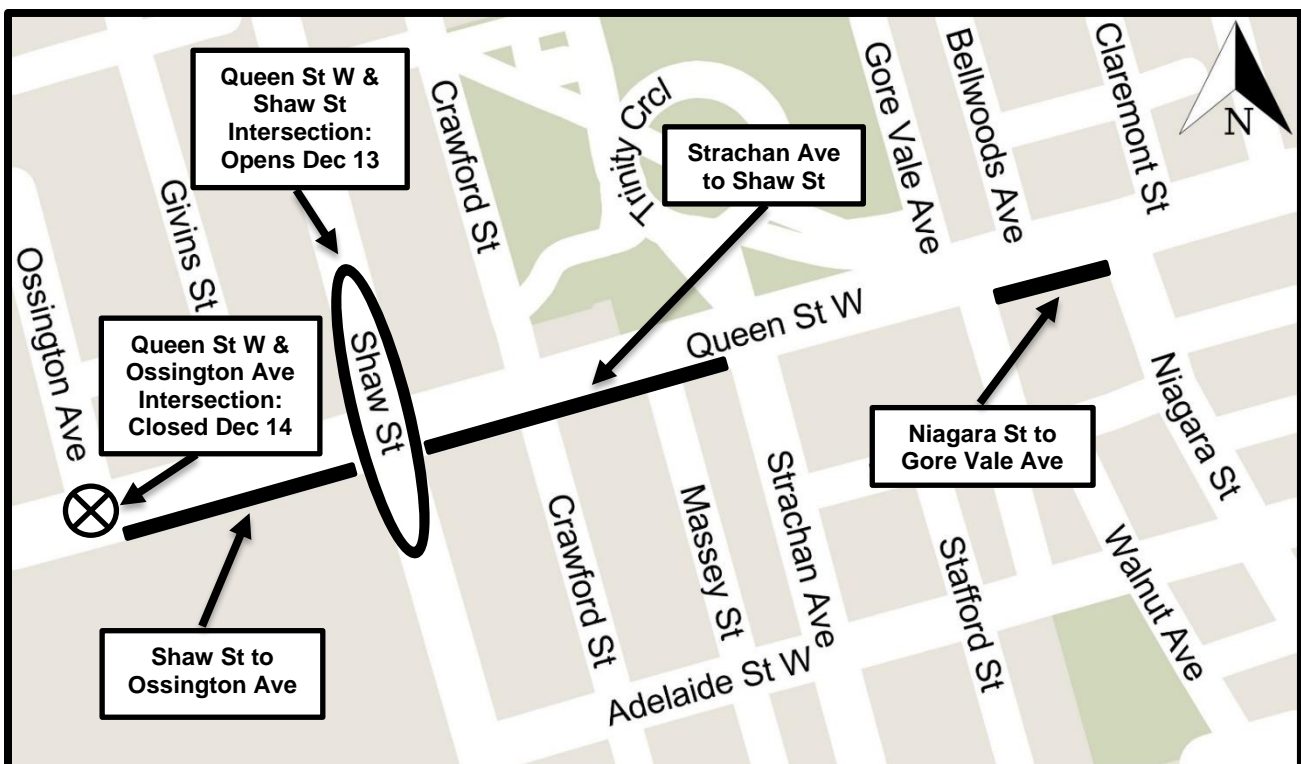
The intersection of Queen Street West and Ossington Avenue is expected close on December 14 for planned work. Work will then progress west towards Fennings Street.

This notice provides important information on what to expect during construction in your area. More information regarding ongoing work is communicated via weekly email updates.

We understand this project continues to have an impact on residents and businesses in the area, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic and ahead of the holiday season. 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







MAP OF WORK ZONES





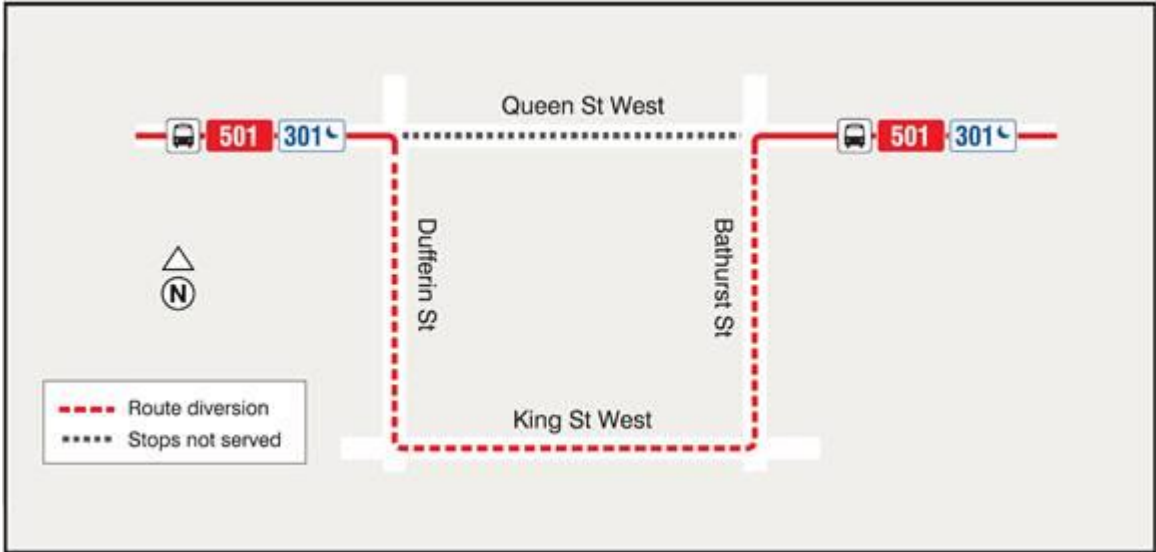
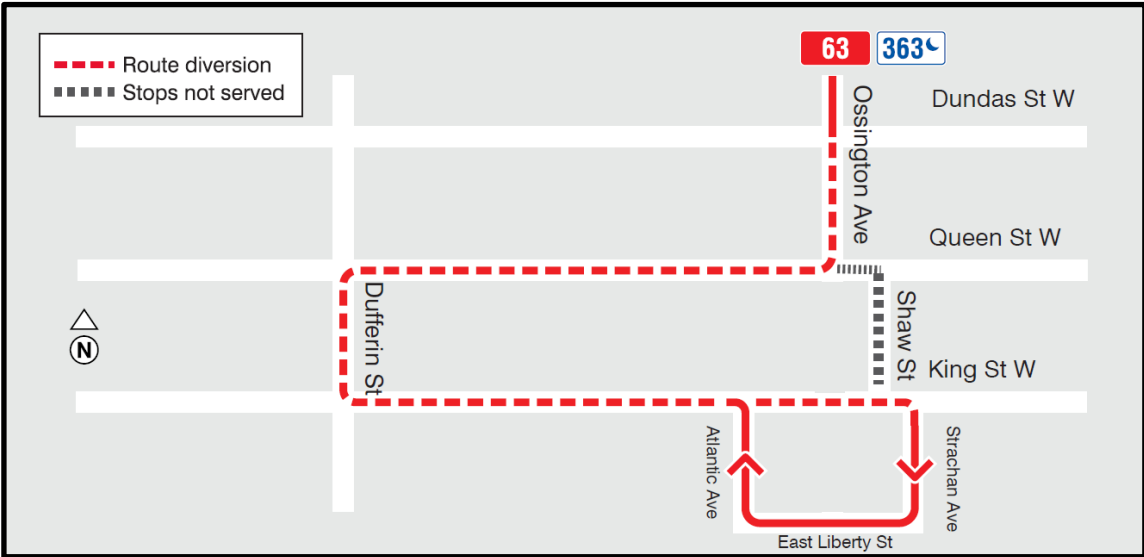



Please share this notice with the property owner or tenants and post in a common area

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

Here's what you can expect while construction is taking place.


	<p>Excavation Activity and Dust: Excavation and heavy breaking will occur at various times throughout the day. Concrete milling and breaking activity will occur mainly between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m., however, <u>there will be periods of overnight work.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overnight work will be communicated via email updates, please subscribe to receive this information. • Concrete breaking work is the most disruptive and will typically last the first 2-3 days 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. • 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.
	<p>Items on Sidewalks: The following items will remain on the sidewalk fronting your business: A-frame signs (sandwich boards), seating, and private flower pots / planters. The City / TTC will <u>not</u> remove: benches, planters, waste bins*, publication boards, bike rings / corrals and transit shelters.</p> <p><i>*Waste bins will not be available during construction as collection will not be possible due to the road closure.</i></p>
	<p>Traffic Management: Queen Street West will be closed to through traffic between Niagara Street and Ossington Street.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to Queen Street West will also be closed at the following intersecting streets: Bellwoods Avenue, Walnut Avenue, Strachan Avenue, Massey Street and Crawford Street, • Access to driveways and laneways that require access via Queen Street West will not be permitted. <p>Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p>
	<p>Pedestrian Access: Sidewalks will remain open at all times for east-west travel on Queen Street West. In the rare event of closure, detour signage will be installed by the contractor.</p> <p>Pedestrians will <u>only</u> be able to cross north / south at Niagara Street, Shaw Street and Ossington Avenue. As construction is completed, additional crossing points will be made available.</p>
	<p>Cyclist Access: Cyclists can travel east-west along Queen Street West by dismounting and using sidewalks.</p>
	<p>Deliveries and Curbside Pick-up: Deliveries and/or curbside pick-up cannot take place within the road closures on Queen Street West. The following intersecting streets should be utilized:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claremont Street • Niagara Street • Walnut Avenue • Gore Vale Avenue • Strachan Avenue • Crawford Street – <i>south of Queen Street West only</i> • Givins Street • Ossington Avenue • Shaw Street – <i>access north and south of Queen Street West once intersection work is completed.</i>

 	<p>Parking: Pay and Display (metred) parking will not be available on Queen Street West between Niagara Street and Ossington Avenue due to the road closures. Metred parking will be available on Queen Street West, west of Ossington Street and east of Niagara Street. Metred parking is also available on Ossington Avenue, north of Queen Street West.</p> <p>Additionally, customers and/or visitors can park at the following Green P parking lots:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 803 Richmond Street • 1030 King Street West • 18 Ossington Avenue
	<p>Bike Parking: 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>TTC Service:</p> <p>The 501 Queen bus diversion is as follows:</p>  <p>The current 63/363 Ossington bus diversion is as follows:</p>  <p>Visit ttc.ca for information on routes.</p>

	<p>Garbage & Recycling: The City’s contractor is responsible for ensuring your garbage, recycling and green bins are picked up for collection every Thursday throughout construction. The contractor will roll the bins away for collection and will bring them back once emptied to the front of your property by Tuesday morning. Please follow these steps during construction work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Label all bins with your address • Place your bins in front of your property, by the construction fencing by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday (follow your usual waste / recycling day schedule) <p>If the contractor is not on-site due to poor weather and does not roll your bins for collection, please leave the bins by the fencing, as they will likely be dealt with the following day.</p> <p>If you do not get your waste collected by the City, please coordinate with your waste collection company for an alternate collection 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>
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MORE INFORMATION:

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

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TTY Hearing Impaired Service	416-338-0889 (Daily 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed holidays)
General inquiries	311 (24 hours, 7 days / week)
Website	toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction
Virtual Trailer Drop- Ins	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <p>When? Every Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Where? Online at: toronto.ca/queenwestconstruction, click on 'Get Informed' tile to login, or call: 416-915-6530, access code: 177 690 1821. The Project Management team looks forward to answering any questions you may have regarding this project.</p> </div>

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